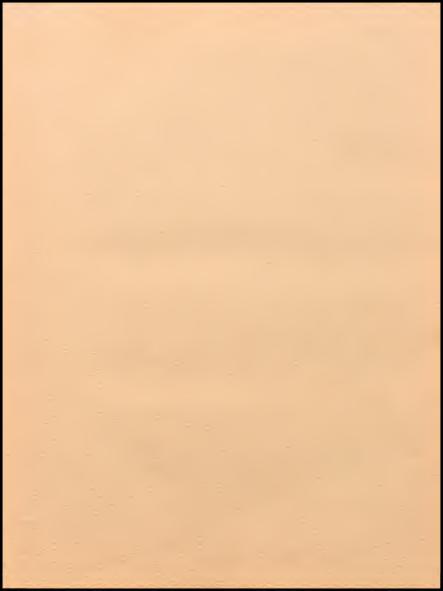
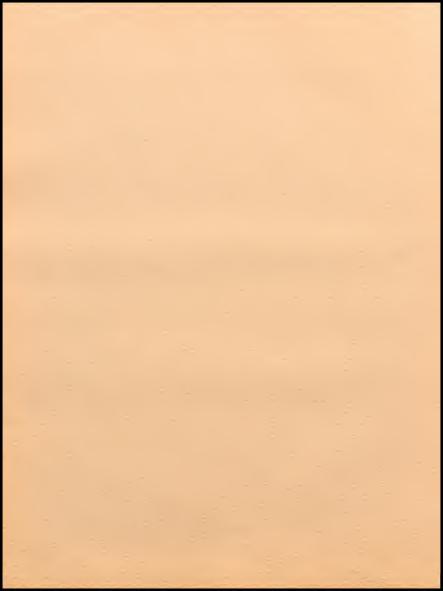
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ogetherness, endless hours spent with a group of people who understand and relate to one another. Togetherness, it made the football and swimming teams, the floats, the body pass races and it built the pyramids. It didn't matter whether you won or lost, you did it together. Togetherness, it was Turnabout, Prom and the workers that made it all happen. It was Homecoming, Senior Banquet, Honor's Day and Christmas vacation. It was partying. The times remembered and the times cherished were the happy times spent together.



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A penny saved is a penny earned. The newly erected bank is proof that Griffith is growing to accomodate new business and fill long vacant spots on Broad.

Cement blocks, mortar, cranes and man power help to build the new mall. Two Cinemas, a department store and a restaurant are part of the Griffith Park Mall.



Detour, detour detour. All through the town signs are placed to warn the passerby that construction is underway. A new sewer system was established this summer.

Dirt and gravel cluttered the unpaved streets of town during the summer construction months. Motorists and pedestrians alike found traveling difficult.









Community Always a first

Remember When Santa Brought Your First Two Wheeler? You Could Not Wait Until Spring Arrived To Try It.



Only too soon did you discover that at first it wasn't as easy as it looked.

But, you mastered the skill of bicycling and finally rode on the nearest street instead of the nearest sidewalk, because the street contained fewer bumps which, of course, meant faster speeds.

Your next big first was your want to drive. If you were one of the lucky ones, Dad had taught you to drive before your driver's ed class. If not, you were forced to get in the car and start it up with the instructor and two classmates staring at you.

After locking the door, buckling the seat belt and releasing the emergency break, you realized you were too short to reach the gas pedal. Thus you vanked up the seat, only as the seat belt cuts off your circulation did you discover that you had worked it in the wrong order. But, finally you were out on the road that had once been your bike path.

The only difference was that the road was no longer smooth. Streets were ripped apart, potholes were inevitably hit and detour signs pointed everywhere except in the direction you wanted to go. On your bike, the sewer construction held little effect, but in the car it was quite different.

Firsts. For the town, sewer construction was on the top of the list, followed by even more neonization along Ridge Road. Where you first went to see "Bambi" at the Ridge Road Drive-In, you were now eating breakfast at Sambos.

Everything will have to happen at least once, whether it was the first railroad track laid in Griffith or Armstrong's first step on the moon. that "once" had to be a first.

School Always a first



When people think of firsts, they think of Washington or Armstrong, but firsts can also happen to the ordinary.

During her junior year, senior Jenny VanSickle achieved her first. Jenny broke the conference, sectional and regional record for the long jump. She then attended state competition at Warren Central High School in Indianapolis. With a jump of 18' 6", Jenny became state girls long jump champion.

Each year, two or three members of the band try out for the position of drum major. Junior Lynn Fiegle has made GHS history this year by becoming the first female to receive this honor. Stepping out in a black skirt and vest, Lynn assists Mort Tucker in leading the band during parades and the halftime activities of football games.

After-school tardy session failed, a new policy is being tried. If a student accumulates more than 3 tardies, he or she must spend one day at inschool suspension. For every day in "the pit," 2 percent is removed from the student's final nine week grade. This plan was put into effect by Mr. Tom Schatzman, director of pupil personnel.

Nine years ago Tom Bakken swam the 50-yard breaststroke in 1:08.2 minutes. This year junior Bob Szurgot broke the record with a time of 1:07.8.

The first indoor track and tennis courts will be contained in a new \$4 million fieldhouse. The 74,000 square feet will contain a gym, weight room, wrestling room, health center and nurse's office. The indoor track will be Pro-Turf with moveable borderlines. Several locker rooms will also be available for physical education classes and athletic teams.

Jenny's Bob's and Lynn's achievements, the pit and the fieldhouse may not go down as history Sirist, but even George Washington chopped down a cherry tree before he became president.





"Band, ten-hut!" Junior Lynn Fiegle keeps in time to the music while leading the band in parades and at football games. Lynn is the school's first female drum major.

Splashing into the sand pit, junior Jenny VanSickle takes a first in state with a long jump of 18' 6''. t. Photo by Griffith Sun Journal



Absentees, tardies and tons of papers for 1002 students make Mr. Thomas Schatzman, new director of pupil personnel and Mrs. Janet Konopasek job's hectic.

Once trampled by football players' spikes, this lot now gets a face-lift to make room for a new gymnasium. Work slowed when the company ordered the wrong size steel.





Organization was essential as changrongs Miss Sharon McLean, Miss Nancy Ashton and Mr. Dave Smith hand out ballots, programs and picture times at Turnabout





No way out, you're stuck

"Oh no. Here it comes, I hope she isn't going to stop."

"Hi, Mike, I was wondering ... "Listen Beth, I'd really like

to talk but, I've got to go to basketball practice.

Mike runs and for the next few hours of hard work. Beth and the thought of Turnabout are put from Mike's mind.

But never fear, practice did eventually come to an end and with the conclusion of practice, Mike notices Beth waiting by the door. There's no way out now, especially since the guys he's waiting for aren't even out of the shower.

"Hi, Mike. How was practice?"

"It was okay, I guess." "I was wondering if you'd

go to Turnabout on February 3?" "Beth, I don't even know how to dance."

"Don't worry, I'll teach you!" There's no way out.

"Ya, I'll go."

On the way home, Mike got a hard time from his buddies but. they didn't razz him long because

It's only for a few moments, but, the wonder of being chosen the first princess sparkles in sophomore Kathy Frye's eyes, as she dances with prince, Dave Kegebein.

he soon found out that most of them were going too.

February 3. Mike picked up Beth and they went to the Knights of Columbus hall in Merrillville.

The dance, sponsored by the Sophomore Class, lasted from 8 p.m. until 11 p.m. The sophs added a new dimension to the annual dance by naming Kathy Frye princess and Dave Kegebein prince.

The theme was "Sharing the Night Together" and 144 couples danced to the music of Natures Way.

Not surprisingly, Mike and Beth were the last couple on the dance floor, but Mike turned out to be a regular John Travota. He couldn't wait to ask Beth to Prom.

"Oh no. Here it comes." "Hi, Beth, I was wondering ...

"Mike, I'd really like to talk but, I've got track practice.' The rest is another story.







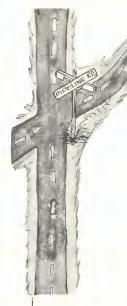
Punch, a thirst quencher for most Turnabout attenders, is served to alumnus Bob Gregor by Kathy Little and Rita Alliss, freshman Honor Society members.

To keep the memory of their night together strong, junior Denise Anderson and senior Don Steffan look for the perfect pose for their Turnabout picture.





As class president sophomore Anthony Joseph worked at Turnabout. During a free moment he dances with freshman Denise Paradis. a junior high Honor Society member.



Inspiration points

Things are always changing. Take for example the way things were in the 1950's compared to the way life is now, especially when it comes to the average high school student.

Twenty years ago bobby socks and saddle shoes were in; today it's clogs. Back then Elvis had teenage hearts melting; today Ted Nugent is packing fans into concerts.

Things are always changing, but what about the things that don't change?

Students today have many of the same pastimes that people had back then, for instance, take parking (necking as it was known in the days of your parents).

Many people watch the hit show Happy Days. When the Fonz takes a girl up to Inspiration Point, everyone knows it isn't so he can see the view. Unfortunately Griffith doesn't have an Inspiration Point, so today's student have to make due with what our town has to offer.

Pipeline Road, the atmosphere isn't as romantic, but it serves its purpose. If it is romance a couple wants, Doling Park, also known as the FOP of Kennedy Ave., has a nice pond, but then you have to deal with lights shining off the express way.

Whiting Beach is just like Inspiration Point, with line after line of parking cars, only it's a bit far from Griffith. There are those who like to stick close to town, like Beiriger woods, but they are often scared off by stories of police popping up with a flashlight in hand.

Public places just don't seem right to some people. They are the ones daring enough to try to pull off a little "necking" at home. The driveway is always good for a kiss or two, then again people have to deal with the porch lights being flipped on.

The sofa is another likely place to find a couple of teenagers. When the television is going, mom and dad never suspect anything. But, little brothers and sisters can wreck things by passing through the room three for four times before plopping themselves in front of the set.

Regardless of what your folks did for Inspiration Point, it's easy to see that some things just never change.









Give me a little kiss. Whether it's between classes, like junior Don Redden and senior Debbie Pramuk, or at a dance like sophomore Diane Strayer and senior Mark Reed, or maybe it's in the gym at a dance like junior Kathi Stassin and graduate Dan Gilmore, or maybe it's in the car, on the coach, on the porch, at the beach





Turn on the set at 10:30 p.m. and you may see a rerun of the "King and I." But, a few people saw Yul Brynner live on stage, portraying the king at the Aire Crown.

Ashamed and flustered, you explain to the officer that it's the first time. You beg for a warning, but as all else fails you now face your parents, ticket in hand.



Concerts, live and full, especially in the first rows. Getting front row tickets to a concert may mean standing in line all night but, after all, it is worth it.





Ticket it, the only way

"Honest, Officer, I didn't see it; that stop sign never used to be there."

"Well, maybe you should pay a little more attention to the road. I'm sorry but, I'll have to give you a ticket."

"No, not that!" Anything but a ticket. Mom will screamworse yet-Dad will kill me!"

"It's not that bad; parents

"Wouldn't you like to win the game ball?" asks sophomore Crystal Swartz as she lures her customer, senior Tracy Hansen, into supporting the gymnastic team.



"Yes, but this is my first ticket."

This scene might be familiar to many high school students. The problem is telling parents.

"Mom, Dad, you'll never guess what happened. I got a ticket."

"Great, Son, so who's the football team playing this week?"

"No, not a football ticket, basketball ticket, or anything like that."

"So you finally got a ticket to that rock concert. You ears will never forgive you."

"No, a ticket, you know, like a policeman gives you."

"A ticket! You young drivers aren't experienced enough for the road. No more car for you."

Whenever that magic word "ticket" is heard, fear, anxiety, and shame enter one's mind.

Tickets however can be of to more benefit. If you are planning to go to court, it is a step in the right direction. Or if you are planning to go somewhere betterlike a basketball or football game, band or choir concert, or a rock concert-a ticket could be what you've always wanted.

You might not have enjoyed your first traffic ticket, but remember when you got your first basketball or concert ticket, remember the thrill of holding this ticket to happiness?

Your ticket got you in and the picture is about to start as the mellow music stops. The lights begin to dim and the reel-to-reel is focused on the screen.







On the other side of the table, seniors Judy Young and Jill Zengler collect tickets and money, as the Griffith High School Cinema presents "Revenge of the Pink Panther."

A lot of solver class Mix-ups, Mr. Mack me'

Mack make up soph first day

11 miles to Southlake Mall: 3/4 of a mile to school: two blocks to a friend's house: 30 paces across the breezeway.

Sometimes, the shortest distance is the hardest to cross.

Sophomores entering the senior high get the impression that they are the only tenth grader in the building.

Everyone else knows exactly where he is going, our sophomore seems to be the only person who ended up by the Home-ec rooms while trying to find the office.

The secretary straightened him out and he eventually made it to his first hour class.

After seeing all the strange, unfriendly faces in the hall, an hour with Mr. Mack was a blessing. If the rest was like this, it might not be all bad.

Second hour was a different story. He thought he had mastered the North Hall and now they had sprung the South Hall on him. He headed due South and all he could find was power mechanics. That would never do. A friendly senior (yes, there was such a thing) helped him to find Mrs. Dennis' class.

He was totally baffled in third hour. Geometry was not his best subject. Mr. Beeson tried his best, but Aaron was lost in a maze of angles, both acute and obtuse.

Aaron thought Geometry was Please turn to page 15







Watch the birdle. One of the changes this year is coed gym classes. Sophomore Frances Lucchesi participates in badminton against the guys.





Perfection. The perfect circle is acquired by some assistance of a compass. Sophomore Robert Travis attempts to find the answer to a plane and solid geometry problem.

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Bent heads, scartching pencils and boiling water are all indications of a Biology 1-2 lab. A lab group tests a group of substances for starch content.

Knowing it might be useful someday, senior Doug Worley and sophomore Janet Mirda try to demonstrate the process of artificial respiration on "Resuscitation Annie."

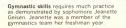
SSSSteam and crease to allow it to be more easily sewn, sophomore Jackie Bundy irons her project in clothing. She is learning how to perform different stitches.











Napoleon and me! Mr. Harold Mack uses his bulletin boards to help teach his world history classes. In the process of a year, the boards change many times.









Eighteen protons, 17 neutrons, surrounded by 18 electrons spaced in the proper shells. Sounds complex, but Biology 1-2 students learned to grasp the data

A steady hand for sophomore Lisa Zaicow is a must as she constructs angles in plane geometry. She also must learn how to write proofs and understand trig.

A lot of class continued

bad, but biology proved to be worse, at first. He was lost, but then Mrs. Beahm went through the basics of the scientific method and all was soon well.

Lunch was fairly normal. He sat in the same spot as last year. After lunch, he walked into N109 and sat down. All of a

sudden: iHola. Clase! and his teacher was off and rambling in Spanish. Eventually he began talking English again.

Ah, sixth hour, English. Verbs and adjectives whirled about his tiny head. He caught a word here and there that his teacher, Mrs. Blum, said but he knew he would have to brush up on grammar.

After the end of the first week, he did not have to use his. by now, tattered, dirty schedule anymore. The jokes about his older brothers slowly died out. and he actually started understanding some of the words in his Spanish class.

Aaron decided after a weekand-a half to risk sitting on the ledge. He was afraid they would kick off a sophomore, but no one even asked him to leave.

After three weeks, he could ioke around with his teachers. The scientific method was behind and he had moved on to respiration in the human body. He had learned some dirty words in Spanish, on his own of course.

He was now, a bona fide high school student. Somehow, he did not feel much different, though. The 30 paces across the breezeway were not that far after all.

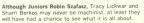
Practice makes perfect for senior Heather Healy, as she concentrates on her music and junior Paula Kelly turns pages. Both are choir members and music majors.

"Help I don't understand" can be heard in every class at times throughout the year. Junior Dave Kapitan tries to further his knowledge by questioning Mrs. El Naggar





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Sewing, drafting and typing are electives for juniors Karen Meny, Gordon Blanchard and Cherly Miller as they learn to work independently in the classrooms.

A lot of class

Juniors realize the struggle has to be worth it.

Juniors idly walk from one class to another. First it is to English, the class where you read a 400 page novel every week.

Then you wander into shorthand with all of its symbols for letters that take six years to learn. And if that is not bad enough, next you have to listen to 60 minutes of roaring machines in Power Mechanics.

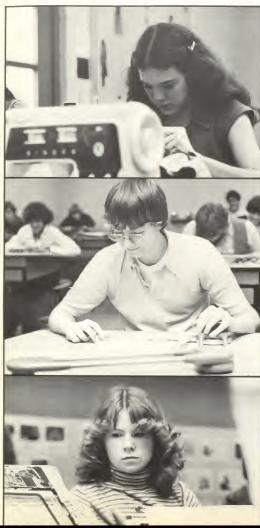
Chemistry would not be so bad if you did not have to memorize all 103 elements and their atomic weights.

After the monotony of your morning classes, sewing provides some relief, especially if you are one of the two boys in a classroom of girls.

Drafting completes your seven hour school day while you try your hand at the skills of architectural drafting.

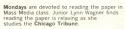
Although the previously mentioned courses are not all required, some classes are. Chronology is such a course. The nine week class takes a student through United States history in chronological order. The main topic area is president's administration. Although many students dread their chronology class, they will agree that learning the heritage of their country is important.

Adult living preparation, or or prep for short, is an elective course. This class prepares the student for family life. Students learn the values of a family and family planning procedures. One of many activities this class participates in is an experiment where an egg represents a child. please turn to page 19









What does nuclear warfare have to do with trigonometry? Something, because the trig classes are using a computer. Junior Jay Bartlett tries to blow up Russia.



Complicated it appears that way, but for junior Mike Schaller, it is a piece of cake. Mike, an aide for the office 6th hour and dittos office announcements.



A lot of class continued

Each class member is required to keep the egg with him at all times or hire a babysitter to stay with it. This project showed students the difficulties and responsibilities of parenthood

English mini courses last for nine weeks and offer a variety of curricula. Many juniors take the basic, such as beginning grammar and composition as sophomores and choose more enjoyable classes later on. English Literature, Great American Classics, Drama and Journalism are a few of these. Some, however, choose to continue with the basics as they take advanced grammar or composition.

As students enter their junior year, they become more aware of the career possibilities. Some choose to specialize in

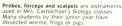


music, art or physical education. The P.E. major is new this year. It requires two semesters of health and four semesters of gym classes.

Many juniors find their second year of high school more rewarding. "This year I'm picking up what I forgot before and completing my majors," said junior Mara Wright, "I have more time for the classes I'm really interested in."

However, there will always be some who wait until their last year of school to complete the required courses to graduate.





Concentration and dexterity are just two of the elements of playing an instrument, for juniors Nancy Buikema and Donna Comer, members of the marching band.

On the spot. Juniors Maureen Kuss, Lanette Hedges and senior Kathy Bradley learn the perils of teaching and leading a class during a panel discussion.



A lot of class

Beat the clock. The show is no longer aired but racing time is a commom practice in Typing 1-2. Senior Rob Alger practices to improve his speed and accuracy

Going through the cycle one more time

At 6:25 on a hot August morning your alarm blasts. At 6:45 your precious little sister bursts into the room informing you that, "Mommy said if you don't get up this instant you'll be late for school." You tell her to go play in traffic. Nine-year-olds are hard to take at this hour of the morning.

Apathetically you drag your body to the shower. As you rinse the soap from your eyes, you keep telling yourself, "After this year I'll never have to go through through this again . . . "

As you pull away from the house, your little sister waves from the window. The one comforting thought you have today is that she has eight years to go.

Naturally the parking lot is full. You maneuver your car into a tiny spot, located as far away from the school as you can get. You walk into your first day of school for the twelfth time.

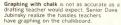
After the third try, you get your locker open. The bell rings. In five minutes you will be sitting in first hour.

May I please have your attention for the morning announcements?" blasts over the intercom. You listen. Everybody listens on the first day. Your first hour teacher begins his Notalking-when-I'm-talking,-bring-(please turn to page 22)

In the company of his feelings, senior Gene Siurek designs and paints expressing them. Gene uses his talents to help him through his drawing and painting class.







Grasping and perfecting the industry trade is offered in machine shop. Senior Marty Jacobs practices severing the pipe in an attempt to accomplish expertism.











Sixth hour gym provides time for athletes, like senior John Sainato, to improve on their technique while receiving credit Athletes establish their own program.

Foods class provides the right opportunity to cure the munchies for senior Newton Campbell. Newton is one of a few males trying their hand in the kitchen.

A lot of class continued

a-spiral-notebook,-in-case-of-afire-drill-go . . . speech.

Twenty minutes into the hour you and all the other seniors march off to the convocation. As you listen to the school policy speech you see some old friends across the aisle. The day seems to be picking up.

Time for second hour. Today has reached its definite low. Health. Studying the faces, you decide the class is 90 percent sophomores. Grim.

By third hour you're ready for some cheering up. Glancing at your schedule, you see this class is just what you need. Death Class. When you enter the room you see an old pal you haven't seen all summer. The day is definitely improving. Fourth hour is perfect. Even if your brother did tell you that economics is boring, there must be something good about a class that isn't offered to juniors and sophomores.

Fifth hour goes fairly smooth. Except for being called your brother's name.

In sixth hour foods, you actually listen to the rule speech, because for once the rules are different. Not every teacher tells you to wash your hands before you start working.

At 2:55 the bell rings, dismissing you from your first day of being a senior. Just think, after this year, you'll never have to go through that again.

cos²x + sin²x = 1. It is not as easy as 2x=6. Senior Tarrie Troksa ponders Mr. Mason's trigonometry lecture as she yearns for the days when x was all she sought.







A delicate hand and a gentle wrist movement help senior Kim Boltz smooth her vase. Kim learns that the use of the proper tools aids in forming a good ceramic piece.



With a little luck, senior Don Mount will use the proper technique. Don adjusts the available cars, in power mechanics to keep them in working condition.

Acting as a parent for an egg baby was a week-long project for Prep classes. They were responsible to talk to it, cuddle it, bathe it and make it take naps.

A pretty patio starts in the greenhouse. Aside from being a biology aide sixth hour, senior Sue Poi takes care of plants for the biology department.





A touch of class

Students find legal tactics to skip class

Escaping a 60-minute lecture either legally or illegally is something the majority of students try to do. Unfortunately, most methods are against school rules.

Some, however, manage to miss class, and still obey the rules. These students are ones involved in the Distributive Education Clubs of America DECA, aides, I.R.'s (Individual Research), and students that have lobs to acquire financial aid

Mr. Ken Miller, sponsor of DECA, said, "In order to be in DECA you have to be in the Distributive Education class, and you have to be a senior in order to get out of school half day. Some of the benefits of belonging are they can participate in clubsponsored activities in the high school, they have the opportunity to participate in competitive events with students from other area high schools, they have the opportunity to receive awards and recognition in the business field and in future job interviews, employers are impressed if you are involved with the activities of business organizations."

Director of Guidance, Mr.

James Garretson said, "I think it's a good idea that students can get out of school half day as long as they have a specific place to go."

"I'm trying to save money for college. Last year I went to guidance and told them I was in need of financial aid so they scheduled me for a half day of school," senior Mike Kuss stated.

As an aide in guidance, junior Diane Konopasek said, "I like working as an aide. It gives me a lot of experience in secretarial work."

Ace Hardware has all your hardware needs Senior Mel Ryan stocks the shelves with light bulbs. President of DECA, she attends school a half day and works the rest.



After answering phone calls and running errands senior Janice Frailey decides to get some of her own studying done. She is an aide in the high school office.





DECA-Back row: Shelly Smith, Carol Pustek, Randy Fields, Mike Feczko, Bill Biankenship, Janice Bulla, Mara Wright, Kim Davis, Vicki Hunt, Margie Sexton, Dorthy Miller, Mark Rosa. Third Row: Sheri Berkos, Dave Keaton, Mark Koarik, Wade Blaker, Julie Metikosh, Debbie Howard, Sherry Mercer. Sharon Doctor, Annette Mayernik, Gail Collins, Second Row: Kathy McElfresh, Violet Sumner, Brenda Good, Art Tedesko, Marybeth Girman, Glyn Farmer, Debbie Vaughan, Ron Lewis, Dave Randolph. Front Row: Denise Fullgraf, Sandy Kratovil, Joe Metro, Melody Ryan, Laura Nocker, Kathy Griffith, Bobbie Dzurovcak.



Musically In synch seniors Jerry Bandura and Dave Jaeger try to compose a song for the Stage Band during their IR class in the bandroom

Independent, Senior Kevin Bollhurst an IR student in science, enjoys the freedom the IR class brings him in setting up his own research projects.





Y-Teens-Back row: Anne Szweka, Becka Kounelis, Rose Mary Britton, Dorothy Miller, Sonia Trinajastich, Dawn Wicox, Michelle Brill. Front row: sponsor Mrs. Syzanne Lanfulusi, LeeAnn Kane, pres; Carol Kovecsi, vice pres; Pat Stevens, sec'y; Sandy Hein, treas.

A little help from a sister and a friend, News Bureau chief, junior Joanne Verhulst works with Times Correspondences sophomores Jacob Verhulst and Bob Chambers.





1978-79 Panther Press-Back row: Jim Reyome, Jesse Rocha, Jeff Alexovich, Brad Houldieson, Jerry Figle, Tom Salzer, Patty Jacobs, Rich Underwood, Second row: Steve Bradley, Miles Bowman, Kirs Wang, Val Green, Terry Jurevis, Keith Myers, Frank Stum, Front row: Jon Terpstra, Gloria Govert, Barb Turner, Vicki Krupinski, Ken Lenz, Debbie Sexton.

Deadline, Tuesday 3 p.m. Most students are almost home, but junior Jeff Alexovich is here with his thoughts to gather for his story in the Panther Press.







A touch of class

An inside look at the school publications

As the 8 a.m. bell rings Friday morning, 44 first hour salesmen scurry around class peddling their wares, in this case, the Panther Press is a weekly fourpage tabloid newspaper published by the Griffith students. However, when a student picks up an issue it is impossible to see all the work that went into the issue

The paper starts out Wednesday, nine days before the distribution date. Reporters and editors get together for a board meeting. Story ideas are discussed and assigned to reporters. Story deadline is the following Monday.

By Tuesday, all pictures are taken and a semi-final layout is made. All copy is edited to catch misspelling and other errors. Headlines and captions are written, finally all the copy is taken to Litho-Type Printers in Calumet City. There, computors transform typewritten material

into actual type seen in the paper.

Thursday typewritten copy is returned on several large sheets of paper. The copy is cut and stuck on the full-sized layout. The paper is then returned to the printer. The paper is printed overright and delivered Friday morning for distribution.

There is still work though Friday morning, as the business manager must balance budgets and the circulation manager must send the papers to other schools and outside subscribers.

Not as well known but just as important is the News Bureau. Supplying the five area newspapers with information and happenings their readership is much higher than that of the Panther Press.

"It's important to do a good job because we reach the public-people who don't know much about Griffith High. They form an image of the school by what we write," Joanne Verhulst, News Bureau Chief said.

The Bureau sends out about six stories per week, staying late every Thursday night. So, while Panther Press is finishing a week of stories, News Bureau has just begun.



News Bureau Staff-Back row: Rich Underwood, Joanne Verhulst, Brad Houldieson. Front row: Jeanine Stettin, Jeff Alexovich.

At a press conference with Senator Birch Bayh, senior Jon Terpstra jots down the facts. Mr. Bayh addressed the student body at a convo early in the year.

A touch of class

Elves They publish the yearbook

"I wonder what the yearbooks going to look like this year."

"I don't know, maybe they'll have some pictures on the cover." "I wonder if they'll put any color in it."

"I hope they have some good pictures (ones of me anyway.")

They? Who are they? When May arrives 1,000 books do not just pop into the cafeteria. The book has been processed by "them" for the past nine months.

They include: A) the editorin-chief, junior Stewart Wiedeman, who is responsible for organizing everything. B) The layout editor. junior Pat Koisor. She is responsible for the graphics of the book. C) The photography department. Junior Mel Kleinaman photography editor, advises junior Amy Baxter, chief photographer, of every picture that must be taken and printed. Amy turns to D) her photography staff for help.

E) The copy editor, junior Lynn Fiegle is then responsible for the copy. For help she turns to F) her copy staff and typists, who in turn go to G) the student body and members of the administration and community. But, the line does not stop here. The

Team work, the ingredient of the yearbook. Junior Lynn Wagner and sophomores Sally Campbell, Kathy Pavy and Crystal Swartz also enjoy popcorn with deadline

books must also be financed. Thus, there is H) a business staff, headed by ad manager, junior Alison Owczarzak. She in turn, relies on A, B, C, D, E, F, and G to help her sell the ads.

Thus, a yearbook is produced. The light in the J-room burns on and they, the staffers and photographers, work together to put together a 192-page book covering the year's events.

A yearbook, or to most it is better known as the "Reflector.





Blank film is the curse of any photographer, including junior Amy Baxter. Amy, as chief photographer, organizes photo coverage for Panther Press and Reflector.



1978-79 Relector Staff. Back row: Kathy Murry, Kathy Pasy, Carol Genis, Jesse Rocha, Ron Rodriguez, Linda Dye, Greg Neess Be-cond row: Diane Lindauer, Lori Dec, Beth Be-lush, Lynn Wagner, Crystal Swartz, Sul Compbell, Front row: Stewart Wiedernan, Pat Koisior, Lynn Fiegle, Melanie Kleinman,

Looks tempting, huh? Junior Kathy McElfresh finds the J-room is one room she can trust to count the yearbook money. Sophomore Frank Stum aides in checking subscribers.







1978-79 Photography. Back row: Kris Wang, Ron Rodriguez. Second row: Mark Rochford, Rich Troksa, Steve Bradley, Front row: Amy Baxter.

A lot of class

Band sports new uniforms, theory class

"There's no breath there!
C'mon — get those diaphrams
working!" A quote such as this
can be heard any weekday in the
classroom of Miss Cynthia
Przondo, choral director. She
directs Concert Choir, Girls Choir,
Girls Chorus, Chorale and Select
Girls Ensemble. Miss Przondo also
teaches Music Theory, offered
only to juniors and seniors.

"Each choir is made up of a different group of students. Concert Choir is for boys and girls, but to prevent an over balance of girls some are placed in Girls Choir. Any sophomore girl can join Girls Chorus," Miss Przondo stated. "Chorale consists of 20 members and ensemble consists of 14 members. Each group was chosen by audition. Practices are out of class."

"Music theory is the study of the elements of music and building skills which enable students to write simple original compositions by the end of the year," Miss Przondo said.

The other half of the Music Department consists of the band, directed by Mr. Robert Sohn and Mr. Noel Cross.

"Mr. Cross directs marching band and I direct concert band," Mr. Sohn said. "The same group of students make up each band."

To raise money for new uniforms the band sold cheese, sausage, popcorn and raffled tickets. The money went towards new uniforms. These uniforms were the first ones purchased in 15 years. The total cost of the uniforms was \$20,000.





Concert Band-Back row: Drum Major, Mort Tucker, Bill Downing, Stew Whitehead, Shrifey Comer, Susan Morgan, Dave Jaeger, Sharl Lewis, Bob Hafiner, Steve Riley, Keith Zylo, Bill Schmidt, Kathie Pavy, Greg Neese. Asst. Drum Major, Lynn Fiegle. Filth row: Patty McKluskey, Dana Good, Nancy Bulkema, Donna Comer, Sue Miller, Ron Rodriguez, Tom Glover, Nancy Loomis, Tafoulas, Rose Villapondo, Tammy Pepier, Paul Tafoulas, Rose Villapondo, Tammy Pepier, Baul Sohn, Jane Williams, Debbe Lopez, Megan Kuss, Bob Nichols, Anthony Joseph. Kevin Stassin, Maureen Kuss, Jamie Woodard, Dehn Johnson, Maureen Kuss, Jamie Woodard, Dehn Johnson,

Dana Hood, director, Noel Cross, Third row, Carie Jostes, Dave Heidler, Sandy Bundy, Chris Wang, Andi Wright, Janet Sexton, Lori Miller, Bob Grumbine, Lori Moreth, Maria Wright, Debbie Pramuk, Chris Rucoba, Sonia Trinaştich, Second row. Mary Nowak, Kelli Huber, Janet Mirda, Sue Luque, Vita Luque, Rhonda Humbert, Becky Frater, Vicki Morene, Bev Bolla, Karen Young, Robin Seitzinger, Teresa Timm. Front row: Debbie Setton, Lee Johnson, Sherry Matthews, Debbie Sexton, Lee Christian, Mary Barene, Rosie Gottschlich,



Presenting percussion, senior Diane Leytem, junior Mike Orr and sophomore Laurie Moreth are featured in The Song of Percussion as the band performs its halftime routine.

GIris Choir-Back row: Cindy Massey, Renee Kasper, Eileen Wilcox, Kim Troxel. Second row: Violet Sumner, vice president, Tracey Lickwar, president, Laura Duvall, Mary Beth Girman. Front row: Leslie Bathurst, Debbe Hanson, secretary, Mary Little.





Concert Choir-Back row: president; Heather Healy, secretary; Sharon McCarty, Dawn Wilcox, Julie Metikosh, Kathy McElfresh, Tracy Hansen, Dave Jaeger, Jim Reyome, Dwayne Alliss, Steve Whelan, Jim Waters, Robin Blunt, Laura Jones, Anne Szewka. Third row: Jo Anne Kus, Beth Lukmann, Sue Smith, Amy Johnson, Ken Novoth, Mike Adams, Bill Blankenship, Dave Hart, Gene Raber, Jamie Gifford, Bridget Wykel, Donna Comer. Second row: Deanna Ingram, Cathy Green, Kathy Augenstine, Leesa Vickers, Louis Norath, Chris Sullivan, Tom Glisinger, Steve

Choate, Terry Adams, Jay Gustamente, Yvonne Mitchell, Janis Frailey, Carol Kovecsi. Front row: Julie Leslie, Shirley Comer, Michelle Brill, Paula Kelly, Frank Stum, Dustin Schlagel, Randy Fields, Joel Bratcher, secretary Debbie Huseman, vice president Terry Dickens, Amy Baxter.



Girls Chorus-Back row: Lydia Vickers, Karen Ertl, Kathy Toth, Crystal Blair, Kaye Gustamente, Debbie Rodgers, Linda Pickett, Sec'y. Mary Stanczak, Norene Todd, Sec'y. Third row: Kelly Ruman, Venus Castile, Krista Penwitt, Charlotte Numan, Venus Castille, Krista Penwitt, Charlotte, Wilson, Michele Adams, Carroll Taylor, Shawn Ryan, Second row: Cathy Richardson, Lisa Turner, Terri David, Denise Getting, Annette Girman, Jackie Meny, front row: Kim Marlowe, Tina Pilch, Karen Swinger, vice pres., Laurie Moreth, Jeanette Geisen, Pres., Kristy Conway.



Penny by penny, nickel by nickel, money is collected for the Muscular Dystrophy Fund sponsored by Honor Society. Throughout the town collection boxes were distributed

Varsity Club - Back row: Henry Danis, Jim Mang, Scott Gabrys, Dan Kijurna, Ron Lenz, Rodger Blythe, Chris Garica, Scott Brkovich, Nooger Blytne, Chris Garica, Scott Brkovich, Joe Maglish, Doug Worley, Keith Eichensehr, Craig Ford, Joe Metro, Bob Deedrick, Fourth row: Patty Hillman, Tarrie Troksa, Ruthann Hilbrich, Dianne Leytem, Jenny Kwolek, Sheryl Batliner, Barb Mann, John Stas, Don Plobg, Brian Ferry, Ken Hyde, Craig Lee, Third row: Rocky Reilly, Janis Frailey, Scott Blount, Lisa Vickers, Robin Bradley, Debbe Sexton, Diane Strayer, Geri Burge, Cary Ba-dovinich, Ron Pirau, Bob Szurgot, Second Cower, Mary, Koffenbarre, Kon Blows, Control row: Mary Kaffenberger, Kay Blount, Sandy Kellner, Kahti Stassin, Pat Bodamer, Joyce Smejek, Ellen Adams, Diane Konopasek, Sandy Stevens, Debbie Chmiel, Lynn Fiegle. Front row: Kathe Bradley, Kelly Spickard, Barbara Thomas, Rick Stevenson, Andy Mantis, Scott Hinchy, Paul Spitz, Joel Bratcher, Jim Lucchesi.



A lot of class

You can't just join; you have to earn it

"May I please have your attention for the morning announcements? Letterman's Club will meet tonight to nominate Homecoming Queen candidates ... Student Council is sponsoring a post game dance Friday night ... Honor Society members should meet in Mr. Baldwin's room tonight after school to ...

Honors, Most students want to be recognized, so they work to receive entrance into honorary clubs. Once the members are in these clubs, they work together to sponsor activities.

Student Council, the government of the student body. consists of students elected by the student body to represent them. The council is active

within the school scheduling convocations, sponsoring dances, and student exchanges and organizing fund raising programs. At Christmas, candy canes were sold and sent to friends.

Letterman's Club, consisting of the outstanding athletes in their particular sports, nominate the Homecoming Queens.

Another honor group is the Honor Society. Throughout the year the members sponsored several activities to raise money for muscular dystrophy.

Quill and Scroll is the honor society for high school journalists. Members are inducted in a candlelight ceremony at the journalism banquet in the spring.

Honor Society - Back row: Jon Terpstra, Sue Miller, Kevin Bollhorst, Joanne Verhulst, Geri Burge, Diane Strayer, Richard Troksa. Second row: Mr. Lee Baldwin, Sponser; Lynn Fiegle, Jill Zengler, Mara Wright, Barb Turner, Gottschlich. Front row: Anita Spitz, Sue Filkowski, Julie Leslie, Susan Poi, Tarrie Troksa,





Student Council - Back row: Rich Stedman, Kathle Pavy, Kris Galik, Kim Varner, Alison Owczarzak, Bunnie Lindsey, Vicki Krupinski, Carol Genis, September Suris, Patty Hillman, Linda Dye, Sue Baranik. Fourth row: Linda Dellahan, Jerry Bandura, Lori Miller, Jodie Racine, Michelle Palmer, Joanne Verhulst, Barb Mann, Ruthann Hilbrich, Dawn Stevens, Robin Black, Third row: Scott Swiontek, Jim Kurtz, Kay Nelson, Melanie Owczarzak, Pat Stevens, Robin Blunt, Bridget Wykel, Carole Wagman, Tammy Seiber. Second row: Kristy Conaway, John Moranski, Dave Kapitan, Joanne K. Kus, Janice Hattenbach, Renea Atkinson, Heather Healy, Mary Nowak, Janet Sexton. Front row: Ellen Hass, Pat Kosior, Anita Spitz, pres; Jill Zengler; vice pres; Lynn Fiegle, sec'y; Gail Collins, treas; Robin Bradley, Michelle

Ouill and Scroll-Back row: Jim Revome, Rich Underwood, Jon Terpstra, Greg Neese. Second row: Joanne Verhulst, Lynn Wagner, Lynn Fiegle, Front row: Jean Govert, Jeanine Stettin, Pat Ko-

Panthers push pep to display spirit



oining clubs, marching in the band, waking at 5 a.m. to decorate lockers, participating in sports, or cheering on the team in the Booster Block is what "spirit" is all about.

Therefore, to display her spirit, sophomore Terri Legler said, "Ever since I was little, I wanted to be a Pantherette. I want to help our team."

"I like backing our team with Pantherette spirit. It's a good way to represent our school," junior Laura DuVall said.

Booster Club is also a part of spirit. Junior Jeanine Stettin said, "I joined Booster Club because I enjoy going to games and cheering for our teams."

Spirit is more than cheering on a team. It is not being too scared to wear a Jaws suit, like sophomore David Marshall did on costume day for Spirit Week. It is also getting stuck at the base of the pyramid while 10 people jump atop your back during Activities Night games.

When the sophomores won the Spirit Flag, their spirit shone through, just like the juniors when their float placed first.

Y-Teens is a different type of spirited organization. It is a group of students who carry their spirit to other people at nursing homes or by going Christmas caroling.

1978 Pantherettes-Back row: Kim Bryant. Dana Hood, Oebn Johnson, Debbie Lopez, Lori Miller, Sherri Hall. Fourth row: Sonia Trinajstich, Thereas Luszez, Michelle Popovich, Lynda DuVall, Terri Legler, Mary Stanczak, Kathy, Frye, Megan Kus, Janneic Hattenbach, Third row: Laura DuVall, Paula Kelly, Hedges, Karyh Natzke, Barb, Jovanovich, Amy Johnson, Lori Patton. Second row: Carol Stas, Sue Filkowski, Lori Chappell. Kim Kilinski, Sue Moranski, Liz Ortiz, Chris Rucoba. Front row: Pres Tarmry Klowanis, V-Pess. Patty Milman, Secy. Julie Leslie, Haistorian. Schultheiss, Norene Todd. All these activities are in the school. Anyone can participate in them. They are all composed of students supporting the school, the teams and their friends with an abundant supply of spirit.

Arriving at school at 6 a.m. may seem unusual for most students, but not for many locker buddies who find it a Friday morning ritual.

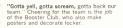
Corner position. Senior Sandy Bundy forms the base corner of the "G" followed by junior Jamie Woodard and sophomore Ross Villapando during the school song.











1978 Varsity Cheerleaders-Back row: Sandy Kellner, Janis Frailey, panther; RuthAnn Hilbrich. Front row: Kathi Stassin, Geri Burge.









1978 Booster Club Officers-Back row: Kris Galik, soph. rep.; Alison Owczarzak, jr. rep; Pat Carlson, sr. rep; Front row: Linda Dye, Vice-Pres.; Robin Bradley, Pres.; Diane Strayer, Sec'y;



People passing It could become a new sport after its showing at Activities Night. The seniors won after passing 20 classmates hand over hand.

Mid-hall mishap. For senior Anita Spitz, Costume Day proved disastrous. Teetering on crutches throughout the day, she was knocked over by a fellow student.



King Kong falls for Raggedy Ann. Actually sophomore Mike Burbridge sits on the ledge with senior Shari Ruman during the lunch hour on Costume Day.

"What goes up must come down." Activities Night was no exception to the tale, even with junior Mike Farrell's encouragement, the Junior Class pyramid fell to earth.







Sophs clinch flag; juniors win float



hh-oh! Quick, turn the corner! Here comes another one."

Crunch. Too late.
One more egg to add to the two others already making alovely design on the family car.

Although egging is not recognized as a competitive sport, Spirit Week gave every member of his class an opportunity to get into the action.

To show their spirit, students were given the chance to dress up differently on each day of the week. Monday was College T-shirt day, followed by Fifties day, Dress-up day, Costume day and ending Friday with the traditional Black and Gold day.

A number of students shared the opinion of senior Dave Toth who said, "I think Spirit Week is a good idea, but just because you don't dress up, it doesn't mean you don't have spirit."

Dressing up the most during Spirit Week were the sophomores, who won the Spirit Flag with a total of 921 points. The \$15 prize for best costume went to sophomore Dave Marshall, when he dressed as Jaws.

After weeks of hard work and cooperation, the juniors were the victors of the float competition. "Chew Chew 'Em Up," portrayed a train engine devouring a bulldog.

The Senior Class did not go unacknowledged. It was awarded first place for displaying the best hall decorations and it won Activities Night.

Every student held a

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Splish splash! Junior September Suris dumps a full bucket of water to classmate Becka Kounelis during a contest on Activities Night. The seniors won Activities Night.

"Merlin the Magiclan" eyes his crystal ball looking for what the future has to offer. Mr. Lee Baldwin, gov/econ teacher, joins in the Spirit Week costume day.

Coming home. Homecoming is a chance to come back to school one more time. Junior Joyce Smejek brings Nick Klimis back for the dance, which featured "Smoker."

While enjoying the glitter and excitement of her first Homecoming, sophomore Carol Genis is stopped to interpret the meaning of the ribbons on her mum.

Homecoming continued

different view of Spirit Week. Some, like junior Donna Fech, enjoyed it. "I think Spirit Week is good for the school because it changes the everyday routine. I like working on the float best. It proves that we can work together and have a good time while we're doing it."

"Spirit Week was pretty crazy, especially when we worked on the float and were egging people. It was all in fun to get pepped up for Homecoming," junior Joyce Smejek commented.

Others had different views. "I thought it was okay, but I'd rather do something more exciting, like party," sophomore Chris Baranik said.

After all of the weeks activities came the arrival of the big event, Homecoming. With the pep session and a half day of school Friday, students were ready for action. They showed it by cheering the Panthers to a victory. They defeated the Crown Point Bulldogs by a score of 20-12.

During half time Lori Chappell and Marc Sharp were crowned queen and king. Their court consisted of seniors Pat Carlson, Ruthann Hilbrich, Tammy Klovanich, Bunnie lindsey, Rodger Blythe, Craig Ford, Dan Kijurna and Joe Yates.

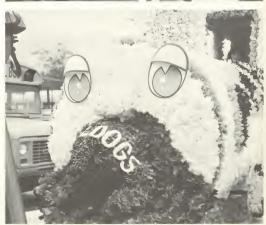
A sock hop was in the gym after the game. When the Novath Brothers Band finished their last song, Homecoming was over for another year.

Just remember as the egg is scraped from your car, there is always next year.

Chew Chew 'Em Up was the theme of the first place junior float. The seniors and the sophomores tied for second place. Panthers did chew the Bullogs, 20-12.













An airborn offender sails through the air toward junior Geroge Mills, who digs in to make the tackle. The team went on to defeat Crown Point and win the Homecoming game.

Half-time activities during the Homecoming game were marked by the crowning of senior Marc Sharp 1978 Homecoming King by Booster Club president Robin Bradley.

Shock and disbelief are first reactions for senior Lori Chappell when she is named Homecoming Queen. She was awarded roses, a crown and a handmade doll.



As the seconds tick away with the score Griffith 17, Munster 16, juniors Keith Myers and Ken Lenz display their great happiness when the team upset the Mustangs.

The man in the sky (the press box) speaks to Coach Les Thornton. When the football team does something right or wrong, Coach Thornton gets the details from above.



Buzea hurt, Lenz picks up the slack



hey were sailing along with a 5-1 record and a play. Then, when they found themselves down 21-0 in the first quarter they knew it was of the year would have going to be rough.

They ended up losing that game to Highland 28-6, and with that loss went hopes of a conference championship. The football team ended the season with a 7-3 record, however. including its second victory



elbow from a Red Devil teammate Griffith bested Lowell 21-7 ever over Munster.

Finding football is not all fun and glory.

Craig Ford suffers an injured

"The disappointment of the 4-0 record in conference season was not really losing to Highland, but the way we played in the first quarter," Coach Les Thornton said. "The highlight to be beating Munster."

Mr. Thorton's first year the team's record was 1-9. Since then, it has had records of 6-4, 8-2, and 7-3.

Senior Craig Buzea, whose 960 yards rushing in 1977 accounted for almost half of the team's rushing, was injured in the third game of the season. He played only two more games the rest of the year.

"We didn't expect Buzea to be out," Thorton said. "I thought he was a potential all-stater. His presence fired up the rest of the team and he was the leader. Ken Lenz did a fine job for us, but it's hard to replace someone like Buzea because he was so versatile."

"I didn't expect to play that much," junior Ken Lenz, who led the team in rushing with 583 yards, said, "but after Craig was gone, we found out that we couldn't rely on him like before. so we all had to pick up the please turn to page 42.



With little regard for his own body, senior Eli Jovanovich sacrifices himself to the defenders from Crown Point to enable junior Eric VanGorp to gain yardage

While recovering from his leg injury senior Craig Buzea watches his teammates from the sideline. Hurt at the beginning of the season, Craig did not play against Highland.



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1978 Football team Back row: Eli Jovano-vich, Scott Oman, Rodger Blythe, Mike Pow-ers, Scott Houldieson, Keith Myers, Mike Chandler, Marc Sharp, Chuck Conaway, Dan Pustek, Third row: Coach Les Thornton, Craig Buzes, Dan Kijurna, Doug Worley, Torn Somers, Ron Lenz, Joe Maglish, Mike Palinca,

Coach Larry Parker, Coach Dick Reyome. Second row: Trainer John Stas, Randy Schwader, Craig Ford, Ken Lenz, Mike Ro-gowski, Greg Santini, Eric VanGorp, Craig Lee, Manager John Lucchesi, Front row. Paul Spitz, Dave Glassford, Ted Stokes, Ken Hyde. Chris Vers, George Mills.

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slack. As for myself, the line did a great job and all I had to do was run straight through.'

The team finished second in the Lake Suburban Conference to Highland. The Gary Post-Tribune ranked it fifth in the Calumet Region and the Hammond Times ranked the team sixth.

Senior Eli Jovanovich was second in rushing with 432 yards: Buzea was third with 378 yards.

Senior Rodger Blythe led the team with nine receptions, four of them for touchdowns. Lenz led in scoring with 44 points.

Senior Doug Worley led the team with 105 total tackles. Seniors Dan Kijurna and Tom Somers each had five quarterback sacks and Blythe led the team with four interceptions.

As a whole, the Panthers outscored their opponents 160 to 136, or an average of 16 to 13.6 points per game.

Senior Doug Worley was named All-state. Five gritters, seniors Ron Lenz, Dan Kijurna, Roger Blythe, Eli Jovanovich and junior Ken Lenz were named All-Conference

The team had support from many areas including parents, cheerleaders, and others like Booster Club.

"We did more for the team this year than in past years,' Robin Bradley, Booster Club president, said. "The guys seemed to like the locker buddies more. The team and Booster Club got real close this year. We got together with them and went to see the volleyball team play Highland. After the game, they rushed onto the court like everyone did after the game when they beat Munster.'

In Griffith football used to be measured by how bad we got beat. Now it is how few games we lose. For the third straight year it was a winning season. "We were just about where I thought we would be," coach Thornton said That "where" is winning.





The kickoff. For the players it is a time of intense anticipation and excitement. The Panthers completed the game with a 26-7 victory over Hammond Clark.



Thrown for a loss. A lonely Panther is gang tackled by five defenders from Crown Point. Despite this set back the Panthers won Homecoming

Disagreements are all part of the game as seniors Scott Houldleson, Ron Lenz, and Chuck Conaway have trouble accepting what Coach Larry Parker has to say.







Fullback going full speed ahead! Senior Eli Jovanovich tries to pick up some ground yardage Chuck Conaway, also a senior, helps him by throwing a block.

Bingof Junior Craig Lee stretches to grab a Bulldog pass in the Homecoming football game. The gridders won the battle 20-12 and completed the season at 7-3. Aim and precision timing help senior Frank Gonzalez score two more points for the game against Crown Point. Griffith won 66-63 in overtime.

J.V., usually composed of sophomore players contains five freshmen. Paul Clark is one of them and one of the starting five in charge of running offense.



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Basketball team: it's more than individual efforts



ulling. When people think of the basketball team, they think of one team, a unit, pulling together for a common goal.

But a team is also a group of individuals, each using his own skills to benefit the others.

"Each player had a good attitude," said Junior Varsity Coach Bob Galbert. "Naturally I was dissatisfied with the record because we lost more games that we won. But my goal was for each player to improve, and they all did. Everyone seemed to try his hardest."

It became evident to me that the kids had improved in the second half of the season." he

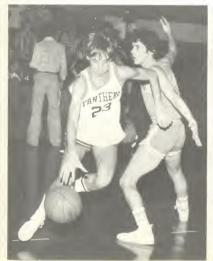


continued. "In 1978 we didn't win any games and in '79 we won six. Five of the games we lost were by four points or less. We lost points at the free throw line."

The final record was 6-14. Leading the JV team in

scoring was sophomore Chuck Hochsteller with 166 points. Please turn to page 46

A major breakthrough for junior Chris Garcia as he is first to burst the hoop held by the sweater girls. Every game a new style for the hoop is designed.





With no one in view, senior Cary Badovinich yells out to his teammates for some help, while senior Robbie Alger waits for a chance to move in and receive the ball.

The block. Junior Eric Foster works to evade his opponent and get the ball to the home basket during the game against Lake Central.

Basketball continued

followed by sophomore Dave Kegebein with 131. Chuck and Dave both played varisty this season. Sophomore Larry Strayer lead in rebounds and blocks with 93 and 12, respectively.

The Varsity Basketball Team also finished the season with a record of 6-14.

"Our guys never gave up," Coach Bill Platt said. "In the Lake Central game they didn't quit when the game got close. They played hard until the end and we won in double overtime by one basket."

Senior Craig Buzea was this season's high scorer with 317 points. Senior Rob Alger followed with 184. Rob lead in blocks with 55 and rebounds with 151.

Plans for next season are being made. "We'll have to change our approach for next year,' Coach Platt said, "Next year the team will basically be sophomores and juniors because a large number of our varsity players will be graduated.'

Coach Galbert is also preparing for next season.

'If a large number of kids make the teams," he said, "we'll have "C" games. These will be for the kids who don't play much

Far enough away from his opponents, junior Keith Myers makes a leaping jump to pass the ball to one of his closer teammates to score the needed extra points

during a Friday game. They will be allowed to play a "C" team from another school on Saturday mornings."

Coach Platt summed up the second half of the season by saying, "After the Crown Point game we played better because we functioned as a team, not as separate players.'

Evidently a team must work not only as individuals, but as a unit to achieve a common goal.

With an eye on the ball, sophomore Jim Kurtz twists his body in an attempt to rebound while the opposing teammate from Crown Point leaps to regain control.





1978-79 Boys Basketball- Front row: trainer John Stas, Mike Worley, Rob Alger, Scott Brkovich, Chris Garica, manager Jim Luchesi. Back

row: Craig Buzea, Cary Badovinich, Dan Kı jurna, Dave Kegebein, Keith Myers, Frank Gon-





Momentarily drawing the attention away from the game, seniors Dave Toth and Mike Kuss hold up a sign to encourage the players to look forword to something special.

Up, up and away Senior Rob Alger passes the basketball while suspended in mid-air to senior Craig Buzea, who anxiously awaits its twirling arrival.



They played like I knew they could. Garretson



m-u-la-tion (em-ula-shun)n. I. the act of trying to equal or excell 2. competition 3. rivalry

Webster Collegiate Although possibly not familiar with the word, emulation is what the Girl's Basketball Team wanted as they appoached the court and faced their opponent, Highland.

Every muscle was tensed as each team member was hoping the same thing: to get the first two points. Highland's heigth prevailed though, and the tip and first basket went to Highland.

This didn't stop the Panthers. They kept the pressure on the Highland girls through the first half, staying within five points.

With little time on the clock before the half, Sheryl Batliner successfully attempted a field goal to bring Griffith within one point of their opponents. Jenny Kwolek then gave Griffith its first lead with a pair of free throws.

Excited and hopeful, the cagers came back the second half and played the best quarter of their season, according to Head Coach James Garretson.

GIA Basketball Hammond Morton Munster Lew Wallace Merrillville

"They played like I knew they could. When I saw them excute something we had practiced the whole season, I knew that whether we won or lost the game, we would be victorious.

The girls won in this sense. though defeated in overtime.

Griffith had a winning record, and ended its season with 2

losses and 11 wins. It was second only to Highland in Conference, with a record of 4-1

With a jump for the rim, junior Carol Pustek fights with determination to secure the basketball. The team was defeated as Highland outscored it, 63 to 51

1978-79 GIA Basketball. Front row: Cheryl Batliner, Carol Pustek, Cathy Pavy, Jenny Kwolek. Front row: Kim Stofko, Rocky Reilly. Pam Kowalisyn, Debbie Chmiel.





Surrounded by the Highland Trojans, senior Debbie Chmiel leaps for a shot above the opposing hands. This is Debbie's third year on the varsity squad.









"Could I please have the ball!?" Senior Sheryl Batliner demonstrates one of the many techniques to steal the ball and prevent opponent scoring.

Exercises, enforced by the coach, always have a purpose. Stretching, for senior Sheryl Batliner and junior Carol Pustek, is the best way to block a pass.

Stretch! Junior Diane Konopasek reaches to block a spike from an opposing teammate. Griffith defeated Crown Point during regular season competition.





Volleyballers find team ingredients



acking from the student body and faculty was a substantial ingredient in the recipe for a winning season. The volleyball team received this ingredient, but recipes consist of more than

one ingregient.

Adding to the team's success was also the element of teamwork. Senior Debbie Chmiel and junior Diane Konopasek were responsible for setting the spiced spikes for seniors Jenny VanSickle, Jenny Kwolek and Sheryl Batliner.

Like bread without yeast, a team without spirit and a good state of mind will fall, but the volleyball team rose in spirit and mind to improve on past records. Overcoming 15 of 17 opponents, it was to be supassed only in

Sectionals by a strong Highland team looking for revenge for its regular season defeat.

The final ingredient to be added to a successful team is strong coaching. This ingredient was fulfilled by Coach Linda Fryer. She gave the team pointers in technique, insured moral support and prepared the team for the obsticles other schools have to offer.

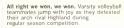
Jenny VanSickle, Jenny Kwolek and Debbie Chmiel were named to the Lake Suburban All-Conference Volleyball. Sheryl Battiner received an Honorable Mention.

"I think that this year was great. I don't feel I'll ever see another volleyball team with as much spirit and teamwork as this one has," stated junior Dinae Konqasek. "This was my second year on the team and I became close to the team. I understood how they played."

"Don't get bent out of shape" has been said many times by many parents but sometimes it can not be helped as senior Debbie Chmiel discovers in the Highland game.







Delicate fingertip control is displayed by sophomore Kathy Pavy, as she sets up the ball for one of her teammates, hoping one of them can spike it for a kill.





1978-79 Giris Basketball Back row: Barb Mann, Carol Pustek, Kathy Pavy, Jenny Van-Sickle, Coach Miss Linda Fryer, Middle row: Tammy Christenson, Rocky Reilly, Kim Stofko Trudy White, Front row: Cheryl Batliner, Dinae Konopasek, Debbie Chmiel, Jenny Kwolek.

Swimmers take in a different stroke: 'super Johnny'



e started as a joke that got the tankmen swimming and their opponents thinking, but he became the pep booster for the swim team.

Johnny was the object of a practical joke started by senior Don Mount, who brought him to swim practice. Johnny is a plastic green turtle who swims.

The tankmen soon took in Johnny as their mascot and started the Johnny cult with senior Dave Toth serving as minister.

The Johnnies raised their winlose record from last year's record of 5-9 to this year's 8-9. Junior Bob Szurgot broke the pool record for the breaststroke, which was 108.2 made by Tom Bakken in 1969. Szurgot's time was 107.8, four tenths of-a-second under Bakken's.

Senior Dianne Leytem made her way to the girl's swimming sectionals and placed fourth in the diving competition. Senior Dave Toth and junior

Jim Mang also went to sectionals and placed fourth in the 50-yard freestyle and sixth in the 200-yard freestyle, respectively.

"We did better than we expected we would do. It's probably been the best year in about five



It is said that the race depends upon the jump you get from the diving blocks. Junior Joyce Smejek prepares to get a jump on her male opponent.





A split second above water gives senior Don Mount the chance to grab a quick breath during the 100-meter butterfly stroke. Don joined the team as a freshman.

Swimmer's in the 500-yard free style do not have time to count the 20 lengths of the pool they must swim. Junior Bob Szurgot directs a fellow teammate on lap seven. years," senior Scott Gabrys said.

Diane Leytem felt that the team could have received more support from the student body. But, she also felt the support they had received, might have helped the increased number of wins.

Children worship Teddies, but the swimmers worship Johnny. The small green mascot, who possesses them during meets, swims the backstroke during practices.

Bang! The starter's gun sounds, the swimmers break the water. A perfect dive to gain a split second's edge on the opponent could determine the final outcome.



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While being airborne, junior Kelly Spickard concentrates on the perfect landing to complete her vault. This is Kelly's third year on the gymnastic team.

Rookie gymnasts, like pros, need practice, concentration and agility. Junior Karen Meny practices twelve hours per week for her two-minute beam routine.





1978-79 Gymnastics Valparaiso Highland Merrillville Crown Point Munster Lowell Hobart Lake Station River Forest





New techniques, methods help team up, up, up



umps, bruises and sore muscles. They didn't stop the gymnastics team. They just kept in mind the familiar phrase:

"If at first you don't succeed, try, try again."

"Because there were so many new girls on the team, "said Assistant Coach Miss JoNell Besing, "This year was a year of team build up.

Different coaching methods were used as well as a lot of endurance in training.

"The girls are performing more advanced tumbling, " stated Coach Judy Repay. "They are also working on strengthening, and doing tricks more quickly."

The team practiced two hours a day, Monday through Saturday, going through and taking apart routines for individual help. "Practice is a time for

Aided by Coach Judy Repay, freshman Nancy Jaramakowicz, on a four-inch-wide beam, four feet in the air, attempts to execute a back walkover.

mistakes" said sophomore Crystal Swartz, "and it takes practice to achieve a goal"

"I don't let the thought of competition bother me until the meet." junior Karen Meny said.

In order to attend summer camp, the gymnastics team will be working on various money making projects, including a carwash.

"We will be going as a team," Mrs. Repay said. "We hope to attend a camp in New York"

"We work together well." Miss Besing said. "The girls have a lot of talent and I expect the team to gradually go up, up, up."

Lending moral support, sophomore Lauri Moreth and Assistant Coach JoNell Besing cheer for an accomplice. Despite their efforts, stateranked Merrillville defeated the team.

The pursuit of perfection is elusive for frosh gymnast Jayne Hodor, as she struggles to polish her routine on the uneven bars. Coach Judy Repay assists her.





1978-79 Gymnastics. Front row: Lauri Moreth, Jeanette Geisen, Karen Meny. Second row: Sandy Little, Crystal Swartz, Nancy Jarmakowica, Jayne Hodor, Jennifer Geisen mgr.

Back row: Coach Judy Repay, Leesa Vickers, Kathi Stassen, Julie Gordon, Sherry Mathews Kelly Spickard, Lisa Hinton, mgr., Coach JoNell



A scissor hold aids senior Scott Blount in showing the skills that took him to the state wrestling meet. Scott made GHS history by competing in state finals.

The wheel barrel race it's not, but maybe close. Senior Marc Sharp tries to flip his opponent from Andrean who attempts to wiggle his way from Sharp's clutches.





A scissor hold may be effective, but the best hold for the wrestlers comes from the referee. Junior Steve DeSantiago reliazes the thrill of victory after pinning his opponent.

1978-79 Varsity Wrestling Front row: Danny Penwitt, Scott Blount, Keith McConnell, Steve DeSantiago, Tim Kennedey, Rick Zubrick Second row: Coach Keith Shorb, Ken Hyde, Marc Sharp, Dale Jones, Scott Hinchy, Coach Herb Noonan.





Frosh wrestlers strengthen team; Blount to state



utting on his head gear, the wrestler stared blindly at the mat. The pain from the boil. caused by mat irritation on

his leg had now subsided, while he dreamed of someday making it to the state finals.

This dream came true for senior Scott Blount, who was the first Griffith wrestler to make it to the state finals. He made it through the season with only two defeats, wrestling in the 112-pound weight class. Last year he made the semi-finals

but broke his hand in the match.

Junior Scott Hinchy and Steve DeSantiago went to Regionals. Scott finished third in the 123-pound weight class.

A new coach, Mr. Pat. McTaggart, was added to this year's squad. Mr. Herb Noonan stayed as head coach.

The team unfortunately concluded the season with a 4-11 won-loss record. The number of losses was attributed to the fact that the team lacked in strength in the heavyweight classes. The freshman squad, however, was described by Coach Noonan as probably being the best in five years.

"The year went better than I thought it would," stated junior Ken Hyde, 138-lbs weight class wrestler. "There were just too many inexperienced wrestlers and by the end of the season there was only one senior."

Getting the opponent on his back is half the battle, keeping him there for three seconds is the other half. Junior Scott Hinchy struggles to prevent a pin.

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Bent on a birdle and determined for a win senior Brian Sambor concentrates for a good angle. The golf team had a season of 14 wins and 6 losses.

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1977-1978 Varsity Golf-back row: Coach Wayne Price, Don Plohg, Brian Sambor, Coach Charles Riodks. Front row: Don Ga-linski, Ron Pirau, Rich Muha.

With time to spare while waiting for this teammates, senior Rich Muha checks over his scores while waiting to tee off at the next hole for the golf team.



Four CC's named to all-conference; golf record 14-8



izzy with fatigue, the cross country runner gives one final effort as the finish line comes into view. The noonday sun beats down on him, beadsof perspiration drip from

his forehead. With every step he takes his legs become heavier and more painful. His dried throat stings and his abdomen stings from panting. The long grueling run, however, is almost over and he pushes himself to edge ahead of his opponent.

"All around the cross country team had a good season," Coach Herb Noonan said.

The team won an impressive second in Conference and fifth in sectionals. It finished the season with eight wins and six losses, three of which were hindered to the fact that junior Ron Redden was out for five weeks after an appendicitis operation. Despite his temporary disability Ron was still able to participate in Conference.

Juniors Don and Ron Redden placed fourth and fifth. Seniors Steve Moore and Kent Selander placed eighth and tenth respectively.

The golf team enjoyed substantial improvement this year by acquiring a 14-8 record compared to last year's 11-18 and 1977's record of 4-20. In addition the team placed 6th of 16 in the Sectionals.

The five-member varsity golf team set a school record with a low score of 150.

Freshman Don Plong was first in the team standings and received the Season Medal. Freshman Ron Pirau, who finished second on the team, was the sectional Medalist.

Put 'er there. After crossing the finish line, freshman Darrell Croft offers his congratulations to teammate and classmate Chuck McCarroll.



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| Hobart Inv't | 8th |
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| Sectional | 5th |

Cross Country, it is a lonely sport. Junior Ron Redden finds that it requires stamina and strick self-discipline to run miles at a time without a friend or partner.

1978 Cross Country-Back row: Coach Herb Noonan, Kewin Spitz, Kent Selander, Brian Ferry, Don Redden, Rich McCarroll, Ron Red-den, George Wade, Front row: Jacob Ver-hulst, Steve Moore. Chuck McCarroll, Brian Konopasek, Darrell Croft, Tim Wilkie, Vic Manges, Bob Hafner.





Bob, Barb pace netters through '78



ove-15-30-40-Game. It is not a new kind of counting system; it is the scoring system for a tennis match. Love meaning 0, 15 — one point, 30 — two points, 40 — three

points, Game — win, Six wins in a set, two sets concede a match or victory. If the majority of the teammates win their match. the team wins the meet.

The girl's tennis team under its new coach, Joe Piatek, won ten matches and dropped six.

"They did better than I expected. I strove for the girls to improve in technique and strategy. I wanted them to

realize that they could play tennis throughout their lives," Joe said.

Junior Barb Thomas won 15 of her 16 meets and received the Most Valuable Player Award, Debbie Chmiel was voted Most Improved and Mary Kaffenburger was awarded the Best Mental Attitude Plague.

"Being a freshman, I didn't have too much experience, but for my first year it went pretty well," said sophomore Sandy Stevens.

The boy's team placed sixth in Conference, winning five meets while losing ten.

Freshman Duane Lindell, Most Victories winner, stated, "We need more practice before the season starts, like two months in the summer. We need practice as a team, expecially doubles partners.

Senior Bob Deedrick was voted Most Valuable and senior Henry Danis was awarded the Plaque Award. Requirements for this award include scholarship. performance and attitude.

"Our team's record was not as good as I would have hoped, but realistically, we defeated the teams I felt we would and came very close on some other occassions," stated Coach Gary Dixon. "The conference record was the strongest it has been in years."

40-40-Deuce. Another one of the many confusing terms of tennis scoring, followed by add-in, gameset-match-victory.

1978 Boys Tennis-Back row: Coach Gary Dix-on, Bob Nichols, Eric Foster, John Sainato, Henry Danis. Second row: Chris Korzen-iewski, Duane Lindell, Tom Anderson, Rick Berrelos. Front row: Mike Morason, Dan Kollwitz, Bob Deedrick, Rich Madrigal, Tom Pa-

1978 Girls Tennis-Back row: Carol Donnelly, Sandy stevens, Pat Bodamer, Lynn Fiegle, Genna Hilbrich, Coach Joe Piatek. Front row: Mary Kaffenberger, Anita Spitz, Debbie Chmiel, Denise Sainato, Barb Thomas.





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| Lake Central | W |
| Lowell | W |
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| E.C. Washington | W |
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| Hammond High | W |
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| Hammond Gavit | W |

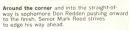












Fingers to toes and head to knee-stretches enable the body to perform at its best Senior Joe Kus bends forward and down before running the hurdles.





Orr breaks disc record by 10'6"



he sports which encompasses many different people and their styles. The lithe sprinter, the muscular shot putter, and the long-legged hurdler

are all a part of the track team, along with the daring individual who wishes to fly over a bar 13 feet off the ground.

Senior Steve Orr, one of the muscular trackmen, broke a school record by 10'6", whirling the discus 157'9". Steve, named Outstanding Field Man, qualified for regionals and sectionals, where he placed first in the discus throw.

Seniors Mark Reed and Don Schultz, part of the team's marathon men, also competed at regionals. Mark participated in the two-mile run while Don continued on to represent Griffith at state. There he placed 10th in the 880-yard run.

Sprinting the 100-and 200yard dash helped senior Greg Kratovil earn the title of Most Outstanding Dash Man. Mark Reed followed closely, being named Outstanding Distance Man. Together Steve Orr and Don Schultz received the Most Valuable Trackmen Award. Outstanding Sophomore went to Ron Redden, who was also named team captain for the 1979 season along with Randy Schwader. Senior Joe Kus finished the year, earning the title Most Improved.

Competing individually in the event a person excels in is part of track, but there is also a feeling of oneness within a team. Together they make track a sport for anyone.





| 1978 Boys Track | |
|--------------------------|-----|
| Орр. | GHS |
| Chesterton, Hammond Tech | L,W |
| Lowell | W |
| Munster | Ł |
| Calumet, Lake Central | W.L |
| Highland, Crown Point | W.L |
| Little "5" | 3rd |
| Chesterton Relays | 3rd |
| Rensselaer Relays | 3rd |
| Griffith Relays | 4th |
| Calumet Relays | 5th |
| Lake Suburban Conferance | 5th |
| Sectional | 7th |

Accurate baton exchanges are important for the 880-yard relay team as Greg Kratovil snatches the baton from junior Dean Combs and sprints for the finish line.

1978 Boys Track: Back row: Jim Hafner, Mike Chandler, Steve Orr, Don Schultz, Chris Garcia, Bob Johnson, Rudy Gottschlich, John Weining, Louis de la Vega, John Stas. Third row: Jim Lucches), Dave Kapitan, Rich Lively, Kent Selander, Mike Lozane, Tandy Todd Second row: Joe Kus, Dean Combs, Tracy Hansen, Greg Kratovil, Mark Reed, Ron Zubrick, Keith Lickwar, Ivan Zokvic, Karl Wilson. Front row: Bob Zubrick, Boh Safer, Butch Fortier, Joe Yates, Chuck Ross, Kevin Spitz, Banh Wompol, Dale Jones, Mike Newbeck.



VanSickle leaps 18'6" to Indy, breaks 3 records; team 4th in conference



Il students strive for recognition in some sort. Whether it is being class president, winning a National Merit Scholarship,

or even receiving a perfect attendance award. But what better way is there to be remembered than to become first in a state championship?

Junior Jenny VanSickle achieved this goal by winning the state title in the long jump. Her leap of 18'6" was 6'8'" short of her record jump set at the Conference meet. Jenny, awarded the Outstanding Field Event plaque, also broke sectional and regional records.

Junior Sheryl Batliner also qualified for state, placing fifth in the softball throw with a toss of 216'8''. Sheryl was voted both Most Valuable and Outstanding Distance Runner.

Other team members receiving awards were freshman Kelli Farinelli as Most Improved and Outstanding Freshman; sophomore Barb Mann was chosen as Outstanding Sprinter.

With the combined efforts of the veteran track members, and the backup from the rest of the team, girl's track finished its season with a record of 5-8 and placed fourth in conference.

Head Coach Terry Crowe stated, "I have much hope for next year's season, all but two of the girls, Andi Holsclaw and Laura Baker, will be returning."

Track is a sport that utilizes both team strategy and individual efforts. With both of these factors, track is at its best.

It's more than keeping one foot in front of the other. Junior Sheryl Batliner must also listen to her coach, Terry Crowe, and watch her opponent's coach clock the time.





The pit. For junior Jenny Van Sickle is a welcome sight after flying through the air for eighteen feet. Jenny placed first at state in the broad jump.

Her strong will and long legs aid freshman Kathie Pavy in lifting herself over one of the low hurdles in running track. She qualified for sectionals as a freshman.



1978 Girls Track- Back row: Lydia Vickers, Becky Galambos, Laura Letts, Karen Schulthess, Sheyl Baltimer, Jenny Van Sickle, Rock ensemble, Baltimer, Jenny Van Sickle, Rock war, Joyce Smejek, Barb Mann, Kathue Pavy, Michele McFarland, Andrea Howsclaw Second row: Jennifer Geisen, Rose Villapando, Kris Wang, Lisa Hinton, Shelly Smith, Kelly Farinelli Front row: Debbie Bolhorst, Pat Blooth, Laura Trinosky, Patty Jennings, Kay







The feet, the arms, the body, legs and head all must be up as high as possible to clear the bar. Senior Linda Trinosky tops the 4'10" mark successfully.



When rounding third, baserunner Dennis Dunn swings his arms for speed and stretches his legs for distance. Dennis, a senior, received the Most Improved award.

Crime does not pay. The player from Highland learns his lesson as junior Mike Kus tags him out, while trying to steal second. Senior Dan Gilmore awaits an overthrow.



Barta, Gabreys named to LSC; stickman place 4th in Conference



lugging three home runs in a world series game, or being named to the All-Star team are accomplishments of major league baseball

players.

Although they didn't play in the All-Star game senior outfielder Mike Barta and junior third baseman Scott Gabrys were named to the Lake Suburban All-Conference team.

Finishing with a season record of 13-15-2 and a 6-6 conference record, the Panther stickmen placed fourth in the Lake Suburban Conference.

Leading the team in hitting was junior catcher Dan Pustek with a .375 average followed closely by Mike Barta's .353.

Other individual efforts were made by senior captain Dan Gilmore who led the team in RBI's with 20, Barta led in most runs scored-21, Gabrys with most hits-27, Barta, Gilmore and iunior Craig Buzea were tied with most stolen bases with 11.

The new head coach was Jim Anderson, formerly from Bishop Noll. Under his command were nine returning lettermen.

The Panthers as a team batted 263 and sported a strong fielding average of .917.

Individual awards went to Gilmore, Most Valuable Player; Barta, Best Mental Attitude; senior Dennis Dunn, Most Improved: Gilmore, Top Offensive Player: and senior Wayne Metro, Top Pitcher. Metro had a record of 4-2 and an ERA of 2.11

Accomplishments are the result of time and effort.

"Ball inside." The umpire barks while first base coach junior Dave Tath watches his teammate Mike Voss take a check swing



| 1978 Varsity Baseball | |
|---------------------------|-----|
| Opp | GH: |
| Gavit | W |
| Hammond High | L |
| Lake Station | L. |
| E.C Roosevelt | W |
| Lew Wallace | T |
| Penn | W |
| T F North | W |
| T F. South | W |
| Calumet | L |
| Chesterton | L |
| Highland | L |
| Crown Point | i. |
| Andrean | L |
| Benton Central (DH) | L.L |
| Bishop Noll | T |
| Lowell | W |
| Munster | L |
| Crown Point | W |
| Calumet | L |
| Lake Central | W |
| Lowell | W |
| Munster | L |
| Michigan City Rogers (DH) | L.V |
| Merriliville | W |
| E.C Washington | L |
| Lake Central | W |
| Highland | W |

Aiming for the catcher's glove, junior Dave Toth fires a fastball in order to strike out his Hammond Bishop Noll opponent. The game ended in a tie 7-7.

A conference on the mound. Sophomore Dave Glassford discusses his stradegy with junior Ken Lenz, while keeping his fingers moist to gain ball control.





1978 Baseball- Back row: Roger Blythe, Ken Lenz, Dean McBrayer, Dan Kijurna, Dan Hilbrich, Scott Gabrys, Wayne Metro, Brian Bracther, Bat Girl Robin Blunt, Tim Barenie, Craig Ford, Dan Gilmore, Joe Metro, Dave Toth, Bat Girl Shirley Comer, Coach Jim Anderson, Front row: Craig Busea, Eric Van-Gorp, Keth Eichensehr, Danny Pustek, Dennie Dum, Mike Kuss, Rick Long.

Yukky streets and dirty cars have been the curse of Griffith drivers since July 1. The replacement of sewers caused road blocks, detours, and swearing motorists.







Do it again and ...



ay I please have your attention for the morning announcements? Ahh. 8 a.m. and

another Monday morning has begun. What a pleasure to wake up with the sun and trudge to school. No pleasure; Monday



mornings are nothing but a bite.

The day does not become any less of a hassile. History. Math. English. The same routine day in and day out. When 2:55 p.m. arrives students make a dash for the door. The uninvolved students, that is.

After collecting his coat and his books, the athlete makes his way to practice. He runs, sweats, pants and runs some more, conditioning for that big game. After all his work, he takes the chance of fumbling a touchdown pass or not making the basket at the buzzer.

Musicians, like athletes, devote spare time to perfecting their talents. Choir and band members can be the last to leave the building, especially the night before a big performance.

Deadlines can be a pain for any journalist. He can spend an entire evening working to make sure his captions are completed and fitted in time for printing.

When the day's duties are finished, students are allowed to go home and relax, but before they rest their weary eyes, one more chore must be taken care of. Homework. The bite called school does not end at 2:55 p.m. It ends in June.

When Friday night comes is it really worth it? The Pantherettes have practice in the cafeteria after school to perfect their routines for halftime at Fridays games.

Contortionist and tennis player, senior Bob Deedrick demonstrates one of the positions he assumes for proper ball placement. Bob is a member of the varsity tennis team.



Tote those bars and lift that mat. Junior Sherry Matthews and freshmen Julie Gordon find that before they can get to work, they have to set up the equipment.

And bend and stretch! No it's not part of an exercise class for fat ladies, it's the cross country team warming up. Warming up helps to loosen the muscles.





With the strain of the stomach tighting up sophomore Jeff Johnson works out after school to strengthen his muscles for the football season.









Ready, aim, fire! Sophomore Jamie Ladendorf displays her skills in shooting, throwing softballs and footballs and putting in St. Marys' Mini-Olympics.

It is summer and the sun beats down on Griffithland. All around town people are playing sports.

In Central Park at the little league field a group of boys is playing baseball. They're dressed in cut-offs and have to loan each other gloves between innings because they don't have enough to go around.

A couple of girls run past the field and towards the playground, laughing as they jog along.

The girls have to move out of the way for skateboarders. One is riding a huge red skateboard, the other has a blue metallic one





When the heat is on in the summer and the car isn't available, junior John Stas finds that riding his bike is better than walking

With his arms extended and his knees bent, senior Brian Sambor brushes up on his golf swing.



with clear wheels. They're racing to the drinking fountain at the Babe Ruth Field.

Three boys are playing Frisbee in the open area near the tennis courts, the one laughs as he catches his 165 gram professional model behind his back. The tennis courts behind them are full. On one side two players are just hitting around; on the other, two boys and two girls are playing doubles.

The two joggers are now on the sidewalk that leads to the tank. They move off the cement as two boys on ten-speeds glide past. The bikers were headed down towards the little league field, but head for the field beyond the baseball area instead. A group of boys is playing tackle football and the boys stop to watch the action.

Central Park isn't the only spot for summer sports. At the courts downtown, a basketball game is in progress. At the Griffith golf course, some people are out on the regular course, some on the miniature course. At Issac Walton two boys are fishing on the lake.

They aren't on teams, and they don't have uniforms, but the games are the same. They're doing it their way and having just as much fun.

No coaches and no uniforms, but the game's the same to them

When winter's cold strikes. one might think that athletes put away everything until spring, hibernate in front of the T.V. and turn to fat. Not so.

Of those who brave the cold, many don skates and search for ice. Some prefer to carry sticks and try their skill at hitting a black puck between two boots which serve as the goal posts. Others want only to find a smooth, clear patch of ice where they can figure skate in peace.

For those who don't or can't skate, there are other activities in the snow and cold.

Skiing is one way to spend an afternoon or weekend but it is also one way to break leg. The daring, future Jean-Claude Kileys often risk their legs at The Pines in Valparaiso.

For those who like to slide down hills in the relative safety of more than a two-and-a half inch piece of wood, there is Buck Hill in Crown Point, the Dunes and, if worse comes to worse, the overpass on the Borman Expressway.

The less daring may seek the warmth of bowling alleys or perhaps roller rinks. The Rink in Merrillville is one spot for roller skating and there are many bowling alleys around.

Some people choose to make believe there isn't any cold weather and hit the tennis or racquetball courts at Omni 41 or the Mansvad's Racquet Club.

When the cold weather comes. the baseball and the Frisbees may go in the closet, but the



Fifty years ago, their grandparents rode a on-horse open sleigh. Now, juniors Cheryl Miller and Kathy McElfresh find snow mobiling a big improvement

Skiing, skating

occupy athletes'

winter months,

Sleet nor snow can stop freshman Ed Konopasek from jogging





Free swim. It gives people a chance to unwind in an indoor pool, even in winter.





Bowling Club-Back row: Dwayne Alliss, Bill Blankenship, Mark Rosa: Fred Kmmrch, Henry Danis, Jamie Gilford, Dawn Wilcox, Sue Pol, Robin Black Third row: Tracy Hansen, Mike Adams, Gall Collins, Mary Kaffenberger, Jean Eaton, Rhonda Humbert. Donna Comer, Sue Milch Second row: Kevin Spry, Joanne Kus, Diana Bock, Nicotelte Barret, Patty Jacobs, Mary Mayernik, Michelle Adams Front row: Mr. Lee Baldwin, sponsor; John Chavez, president; Anne Szewka, vice pres.; Ron Rodriquez.



There by 8 a.m. out by 10 a.m. sophomore Cathy Toth and Lisa Catcher practice tennis weekly at Mansards.



Entertaining, laughs, smiles, giggles and frowns. It is a clown's job and seniors Anita Spitz and Judy Young portray the roles of these characters at the St. Mary's Western Days Festival.

he number 84 means different things to different people. A boy friend's jersey number, a graduation year or the temperature on those warm summer days when the gang piled in the car and headed for the beach.

Not everyone, though, was able to soak up the sun at the sandy shores of the lake. Many had to be satisfied with uneven tans from uniforms while participating in summer sports.

Along with warm-day fun came the desire to be independent. Some students packed their clothes, sleeping bag, pillow, toothbrush and toothpaste and departed for camp.

Summer defined by others was mowing lawns, washing dishes, completing homework from summer school or stocking shelves.

Whatever the definition, most workers deemed summer, worthwhile It meant a few extra bills in the wallet, a course passed that met graduation requirements, or a paper stamped "waiver" for the novice driver.

Summer and the events that made it happen: it's what you wanted it to be.



10 and 2 The position not always followed



Cotton Candy and little kids are ingredients of

After 9 months of 7-hour school days, summer work or play is relished



Uh-oh. Juniors Sheryl Batliner and Rocky Reilly enjoy a few extra calories as they are treated to a Dairy Queen after a hard workout in practice.



after the six weeks of driver's ed. Junior Debbie Sexton learns oatience while waiting for traffic.





Turns and Circles. They are everywhere and a part of everything. After waiting in line, sophomores Tammy Seiber and Doreen Hochstetler are caught in them as they are twirled and spun.

a carnival, sophomore Lori Clark has them both.



Although there are students who prefer to dress up, others often prefer the more casual. This student wears the boots and jeans combination.



A change of pace. For junior Keith Eichensehr and his date the Prom helped them shed their everyday clothing and wear something a little bit classier.

Comfort wins over fashion as senior Sharon Buskema and Terry Embry head for Horiars Day In cut-offs and tongs, they plan to keep cool during the commencement exercises.



Jeans. The floor of the homecoming dance is covered with them. Junior Diane Konopasek and senior Rocky Reily "get down" in comfort to the rhythm of the Novath Brothers Band.



Clothes, What do yours say about you? Take the quiz. Find out

Some say you are what you eat. while others contend that you are what you wear. The Reflector drew up a test. Answer the questions, total your points and discover what your appearance tells other people about you.

1) What kind of jeans do you usually wear?

A)Straight Leg Levi's

B)Flared Levi's C)Dress jeans

D)Wranglers E)JC Pennevs Plain Pockets

2) How often do you dress up?

A)Once a week B)Once every two weeks

C)Three times a week D)Once a year

E)Never

3) Why do you dress up? A)You like it

B)Mom said so

C)Dad said so D)Your friends asked you to E)It is dress up day

4) What kind of shoes do you wear? A)Platform Sandles

B)Converse All-stars

C)Clogs D)Cloud Climbers

E)Boots 5) The car you drive to school is A)Trans Am

B)1977 Mustang C)The mill car

D)Lemans

E)The family compact

6) How many minutes does it take you to get ready in the morning?

A)15 B)30 C)5

D)60 E)90

7) To school on Fridays when there is a game do you wear

A)A football iersev

B)A cheerleading, sweater girl or Pantherette uniform.

C)Nothing, you skip school D)Jeans and something black



For the Chinese, it was the year of the horse, but for fashion it was the year of the individual as reflected by juniors Geri Burge and Barb Mann and sophomore Kim Varner.

and gold

E)None of the above 8) What are you most comfortable

in?

A)Jeans

B)Dress up jeans C)Dress up pants

D)Dress/Suit E)Shorts

Points

1 a1 b2 c0 d4 e3

2 al b2 c0 d2 e4 3 a0 b3 c3 d2 e4

4 a0 b2 c1 d3 e1

5 a0 b1 c3 d4 e2

6 a3 b2 c4 d1 e0 7 al bl c4 d2 e3

8 a2 b1 c1 d0 e3

If you scored between 1-5, you appear to wear a different outfit everyday, each one in the latest style. To your peers you came across as rather stuck-up. You can usually slip into 'R' rated flicks, hassle free. The brownie points you receive from your teachers are for looking sharp and organized.

If you scored between 6-12 you wear the newest styles, but you don't make a habit of it. To your peers you are involved in everything. Sponsors are glad you are around to carry the load while some classmates detest your popularity.

If you scored between 13-19. you wear Levi's and a few classy clothes. You enjoy sports and a lot of your day is spent trying to avoid doing things. Your peers consider you pretty cool. Your happy-go-lucky attitude aides in the impression that you attend school because it is there. If you scored between 20-26.

you wear jeans. You come across as a quiet individual. Your peers wonder if you can talk. You seem always to want school to get over so you can go home to watch some television or go to work.

If you scored between 27-32. you like jeans. Your peers believe you think school is a big joke and that you would perfer to get high. You take things as they come, creating an image of not caring about much. Your teachers can't understand you. Many picture you as a future mill rat or short order cook.

No matter what you wear the choice is yours. What you are and what you make of yourself is exactly what you want it to be.

Although it's dress-up day, students still take advantage of their everyday ledge spot, observing the costumes of passing students.



Saturday night's all right, even without a member of the opposite sex, if you can share a spot in the car to party with a bunch of close friends.



With a hold on the door, Mr. George Thiel, prevents students from entering the gymnasium while the team's are on the floor.



Certain spots, like classrooms, arent exciting, but at least the lunchroom provides more comfortable chairs and surroundings.



Belonging, it means something different to everyone. Everybody has his own spot where he can go to relax, talk with friends, or just be alone.

The bedroom can be a haven from a bothersome little brother. or a place to get away from it all and think things over.

In school you always know where to find your friends. Some students choose the ledge to



Awaiting his bus, freshman Jeff Rigot realizes he'll have to fight for a spot on the bus.

catch up on the latest gossip or to do a late homework assignment while others prefer Mr. Weaver's room. The courtyard is a favorite gathering spot in warm weather and when it is inclement, the ledge by the career center does the job just as well. The Journalism Room also has its assortment of students in the morning, during lunch, and after school. The wall on Pine Street is another favorite after-school gathering spot.

Lunchtables are private places too. The same people sit at the same table sometimes for a all three years, and woe to any group that another has dared to stake out.

Some people seem to be permanent fixtures in some places. During second lunch you can always find Mr. Owen leaning on the cafeteria doors. Before school Mr. Cox is always standing in front of the court yard keeping an eye on everything. Mr. Eikenberry can be heard at every home football and basketball game announcing the plays.

When you think about it everyone really does belong somewhere.

Bedroom, lunch tables, the ledge, J-room, cars: your spots



Marking special spots for special people, the microphone, scattered clipboards and scoreboard box all designate spots at the officials' table

Twinkling lights in the sky create beauty and tell the future. Senior Kathy Bradley looks for hers

Lep on a crack, you'll break your mother's back." As children we jumped over every crack. Now we are too big, we are high school students. But when nobody is looking we still find ourselves avoiding sidewalk cracks.

Though we carried beliefs from childhood, like Mom and Dad, brothers and sisters, friends, and God, we have added more convictions to our list.

The high school athelete believes in his team. When the quarterback throws a pass, he trusts his teammate will be there to receive it.

The science buff appears to research before he comits himself, but even the most scientific of us succumb to the lure of reading our horoscope, checking our biorythm charts, and avoiding the paths of black cats.

Short hair and tucked in shirt tails match the image of the patriot, who feels strongly about God and His country.

The scholar believes in his ability to memorize the Periodic Table, but he can also be spotted scribbling crib notes.

The student politician promises all in the spring, but as fall arrives, the politician realizes that the voters are not necessarily the workers.

The first year teacher in the same way believes he can tame the class nobody wants, but by the end of the year he does not want the sweathogs either.

Beliefs can be as heavy as religion or as light as current advertizing slogans.

Among others is the person who believes in peanut butter, "If you believe in peanut butter, clap your hands, if you believe in peanut butter, you gotta believe ..."

Ya gotta believe from horoscopes to peanut butter, yourself, God.



Confidence. Senior Brian Ferry collects all of his in his attempt to overcome the West Side opponents. Brian's efforts were successful.



Gridders block, tackle, and cheer. At least the Panthers do! Supporting the volleyball team helped to secure a victory over Highland.





A peaceful atmosphere, a quiet solitude. Alone if church is a place for contemplating, especially as the sun rays shimmer through the panes.



Peanut butter and a glass of milk is a lunch eaten since childhood. Senior Craig Buzea still believes in the Peter Pan magic.



ime together. Sophomore Deanna Fryman and junior Ed Bowman find time to believe in each other.



Faith in one another and unity are the final inspiration Coach JoNell Bessing relays to the team.



Snapping the action that's most important to him, junior Bob Szurgot focuses the camera.



Music is said to be one of the more popular ways to express yourself and most of these chorale members will agree as they sing at commencement.



A classy car in contrast to a clunky car expresses senior Kevin Huzzie's interests in automobiles



H i, Tammy, I said as I approached my friend, who was dressed in black pants and a black turtleneck sweater.

"Shut up and leave me alone," was all Tammy had to say. I should have known by the Johnny Cash outfit that Tammy was not in one of her better moods.

I realized Tammy's outfit was her way of expressing herself. After talking to Tammy, I began paying attention to what other students were wearing.

Michelle, who was wearing a yarn wrapped class ring that belonged to the captain of the football team, had on a bright yellow blouse and a white sweater. Mike, who has been known to ski down an ant hill. wore a T-shirt instructing people to "Think Snow." Horn rimmed

glasses, a calculator through the belt loop and pants that didn't quite reach the ankles attired Sheldon, who had never received anything below an

"A" on his report cards.

Some student's clothes do not show what they are thinking. I decided that they must express themselves other ways. Mary is in band, choir, and Music Theory. Saturdays she takes piano lessons, and in her spare time she writes compositions. Mary expresses herself through music.

Peter is always covered with sawdust. "I love shop because I can express myself without saving a word.'

I have never seen Tim when he wasn't drawing. He doodles on

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Drama and expression, they go together for junior Bridget Wykel and senior Judy Young.

What you are. It's what you do and how you express yourself.



Some find athletics or school outlets of expression, but senior Dean Combs finds the best way to release his emotions is through music at his church.



Chorale-Back row: Dawn Wilcox, Tracy Hansen, Laura Jones, Steve Whelan, Robin Blunt, Jim Reyome, Heather Healy, Dwayne Alliss. Second row: Debbie Huseman, Chris Sullivan, Beth Lukmann, Ken Novath, Bridget Wykel, Mike Adams. Front row: Terry Dickens, Dustin Schlagel, Kathy Augenstine, Joel Bratcher, Paula Kelly, Jay Gustamente.

Express yourself continued

folders and sketched on typing paper. His drawings range from cartoons to still life. Though he draws constantly, I don't think I've ever heard him say an entire sentence. Tim expresses himself silently and artistically.

Different groups express themselves in different ways. Y-teens help those less fortunate than themselves. Booster Club can be heard chanting enthusiasm for their team at any game. Writing and photography are tools for a journalist's expression.

When I entered the school restroom, I saw the way students showed their feelings anonymously. Graffiti. Aside from the usual "Susan loves John" writers, there are also students with a poetic flair. Near the declaration are the philosophical words of a poet, "A person must be very small to have his name on a bathroom wall."

The next day Tammy came to school wearing gray pants and a pink sweater. "Hi," she said brightly when we met in the hall.

"Shut up and leave me alone," was all I had to say.



Expression for sophomores Scott Carpenter and



Cutting, measuring, putting it together and sanding, senior George Wade expresses himself while building a grandfather's clock



"Does it fit me." Junior Robin Martin tries on a necklace pondering whether it will express the personality she wishes to convey.



Tami Pepler are physical as well as emotional.



Music. It is an outlet of emotion and talent for senior band members Jerry Bandura, Mary Barenie and Rosie Gottschlich in a trumpet trio called "Buglar's Holiday."

The cap flies to the ceiling and lands in the hand that threw it. The auditorium is quiet now; Honors Day has passed and his peers are partying. He looks to the stage, wondering who will be the next to cross it. He'd been up there lot's of times.

As a sophomore he joined dramatics. His first year he played a role behind the scenes; he worked on sets every Saturday faithfully, pounding and painting while his girlfriend spent the day sewing costumes. It may not have been much but, it was a big part of the theater.

His stage appearances didn't end there. He remembered his first band concert, the black pants, white shirt, the impossible tie and the butterflies in the stomach. He had loved playing the cornet and was hoping college would offer a marching band.

Walking to row P, he sat down and gazed forward, hoping for entertainment. He then remembered the king and queen presentation. Each queen tried to say something funny yet noble about her king and visa-versa. It made for interesting conversation. either on or off stage

He also remembered the convocations. They may not have been like the Emerson, Lake and Palmer concert, but they did break the monotony.

Walking to the back, he went out and upstairs into the projection room. Staring through the holes, he gazed at the apron. Many times he helped Mr. Ray Weaver set up the screen for the movies. If Saturday night

Under lights, under pessure: times remembered

brought nothing else there was the Griffith High School Cinema. "Close Encounters" and "Rocky" came first to his mind.

Finally, there will be commencement tonight, the final night. With three years behind, he will make his final stroll across the stage. But, the show must go on, and others will follow the same steps. across the same stage.



"And who are you?" Junior Jenny Kwolek practices for her part of "The Sound of Music" as Kim. Mr. Gerald Spejewski's daughter, portrays Gretl, the youngest Von Trapp.

Entertaining 1,002 students is extremely difficult. But, the Salt and Light Company tried their best to keep the students' interests.



With one eye on the music and the other on Mr. Robert Sohn, sophomore Carrie Jostes anticipates the time change in a Christmas medley.



Redesigning "Two by Two" flats, technical director, Mr. Ray Weaver, junior Dorothy Miller and senior John Hajduch, find hanging wallpaper difficult when the wall is canvas.



Piano player, spot lights, conductor, sets and the audience aid the girls Ensemble in its performance at the annual Christmas Choral concert





After school hours

After the 2:55 p.m. bell rings, students file from class and back to their lockers for the last time of the day. Within five minutes the building is evacuated. Once again it becomes another school day tucked away. But, for the custodians it is just the beginning of the day.

The custodians start their work at 3 p.m. and stop at 9 p.m. Blackboard cleaning does not end with the swipe of a eraser. Each board is washed down with lukewarm water and a small amount of vinegar, used to cut the chalk and prevent streaking.

"Sometimes the work seems like it is never ending." Mrs. Lillian Wright sighed.

Beyond the blackboard

From half days

It started last March (1978). with the selection of the Steering Committeemen (personnel in charge of the whole program.) Mr. Howard Besch, science teacher, was selected chairman. It ended Friday. March 2 with an exit report.

Between this time each teacher was assigned to a committee(s) and evaluation forms were filled out from every academic department, school facility, staff and administration. guidance, driver and traffic education organization.

For students it meant five half-days, for teachers it meant "tons of paper work."

"Since it has to be done every seven years, I figured I should get it (being chairman of the Steering Committee) over with, because sooner or later I'd have to do it," Mr. Besch said.

Mr. Besch oversees all work that is completed. "There is tons



to evaluation forms

of paper work and many timeconsuming meetings. Let's put it this way: if I were putting this much time in at Inland Steel, I would make over \$20,000.

"For an example, within the next six days we will have four meetings at 7 a.m."

Mr. Carl Dalton was chairman of the Steering Committee in 1972. He is now chairman of the School and Community Committee. Mr. Charles Harkin is Chairman of the Philosophy Committee.

A few students and parents were also involved. Social studies students were selected to hand out forms to members of the community to fill in about the school.

It is all NCA, or the North Central Association. The association evaluates schools across the country. Evaluations will be returned in two to four months, another follow-up in a year and the last in three years.



Weaver enjoys seeing old faces at games

To enter a basketball or football game one must purchase a ticket. It is not much, just a little slip of paper saying, "Admit one student" or "Admit one adult." In either case it is a necessity. For Mr. Weaver it is

an extra job.

Mr. Weaver was given the job a number of years ago. He sells tickets at both the football and basketball games.

"I enjoy working at the games, because it gives me a chance to see alumni I've had as students" Mr. Weaver stated

He also feels he can talk to his students at a different level than when he is teaching.



Mr. Sohn, part-time mountaineer

Spending time away from school enjoying yourself is as important to teachers as it is to students. Mr. Robert Sohn, band director, finds camping a great way to spend his extra time.

During summer vacations and on weekends, he and his wife like to go camping in their motor home.

"My wife and I both enjoy the outdoors," Mr. Sohn said, "We like the mountains and the West."

"Our daughter lives in Oregon so when we visit her, we get to drive through the mountains, our favorite part of the country."

"Camping is also a good way to meet people. While staying in a motel, you may never know the people in the next room, but while camping, you meet all sorts of people," he concluded.

Parent and son follow separate paths

The old myth of "A teacher should not teach in the same school that his child is attending," is just that: old.

According to Mrs. Julia Turner, secretary, and Mr. George McClure, shop teacher, the experience is pretty good.

"It really doesn't make a difference. I rarely see Mark throughout the day. But when I do I talk to him. I feel he should be treated the same as all the students in school. I would not expect him to be treated any differently," Mrs. Turner said.

"Since Howard started going to this school, I've begun to really appreciate and understand the problems with kids in this

age group. It's an emotional experience. We can sit down and talk to each other about his problems and how things are going at school." Mr. McClure stated.

As a parent and a part of the school, Mrs. Turner sees both sides of the problems dealing with teachers and students. "It's very difficult for parents to understand problems encountered each day and I can see both sides of the problem."

"I enjoy working here. It enables me to have a better understanding of the functions of a school system. It makes me realize the importance of a good relationship between parent and school.'

Mr. McClure does not feel there have been any complications. He said, "It is like a whole new awakening in the field of education."

So, every Monday through Friday, Mrs. Turner and son, and Mr. McClure and son arise, go to school, but then must go on their own separate ways.



Beyond the blackboard





Mr. Birk rebounds

Life holds surprises for all of us, some good, some bad. Mr. William Birk experienced a bad one. He suffered a heart attack early in the school year.

"At first I didn't miss teaching, I didn't have time to: then I started to get lazy, just sitting around and watching TV."

"I felt bad about leaving my classes, and not being able to complete the job. I'm happy they found someone to take over full time" Mr. Birk commented.

"Now I'm well on my way to recovering with the help of modern technology and lots of love from my wife and kids."



Pedigree trainer

"I used to raise my own dogs in the late '60's and early '70's. but now I just help a friend with his terriers," Principal Mr. Sam Cox said, "I usually only go to the shows when Mr. Cartwright takes more than one dog."

Mr. Cox helps Mr. Allan Cartwright, a dog trainer and raiser in Schereville, show his Scottish Terriers. He attends the shows about every six weeks.

"I admire Mr. Cartwright: in his lifetime he has shown 31 champions."

Mr. Cox says he enjoys working with the dogs and he goes to the shows "for the fun of it."



Plumbers to pipes

"College of Piping" It is not a college for

pipe fitters or plumbers. It is a college for bag pipers.

Mr. David Smith, assistant principal, went to the College of Piping in Glasgow, Scotland, He lived in Scotland with his parents in 1961 and 1962

"I was intrigued by Scottish history and the bagpipes." Mr. Smith said, "I am of Scottish background."

Mr. Smith plays the bagpipes occasionally and used to play in a bagpipe band called "Scottish Society."

"I wish I had taken more lessons," Mr. Smith concluded. Slip slldin' away. No, this is not Dorothy Hamill; it's junior Shelly Smith trying to collect her books, bruises and pride after taking a spill on the ice at school.

Nose to the ground, senior Ruthann Hilbrich inches her egg down the track. Ruth was competing in the King and Queen contests at Activities Night.







"My windshield was fogged, Lady; I swear it was! Really I'm sorry." In any case half the car is totalled and covered in the snow and you weren't even there.



I can't understand

"Pat, you've just gotta hear this, Mr. Mack got up on top of the desk today to model his new pants. It was so funny."

'It was, uh? Yea, sure, uh, what ever you say, Sue.'

"Well, it was! I guess you just wouldn't understand."

You had to be there. It is a common phrase and especially useful when you try to explain something that was supposed to be funny, but wasn't. To save yourself from looking like a total jerk, you laughed it off with, "Well, you had to be there."

Like in Algebra 3-4, when someone screamed, "Help" a little too loud, or possibly it was the snowball fight inside the building when the teach was in the hall.

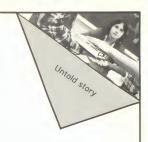
Of course, there was the time when two hunks of football

players sat in English and traded football cards.

To add to the list there was the first year teacher who couldn't remember what time class was over. To make things even more enjoyable, there were subs. You know, the one with greasy hair, who looks as if he hasn't taken a shower in three weeks, or the one with his static cling. He really does have neat white socks. You should also remember the sub who was still caught in the counter-culture, but was trying to look hip. Her outfit consisted of a big flowered skirt with knee high plastic, (or polyurethane) boots.

Well, on second thought maybe you don't know; you weren't there.

But, possibly you were in the hallway when Jean dropped her



Biology 3-4 folder, or when Michele fell up the stairs, or when the pop gun went off in Mr. Oh, never mind, you had





to be there.

You had to be there, in Griffith during the blizzard of '79 to understand why snow had to be shoveled off roofs. Record amounts of snow caused cave-ins.

Stripping down to the skin may help stop that needle at exactly the right weight. Junior Ron Kisfalusi, like any serious wrestler, keeps his eye on the scale.

From cleaning windows to pumping gas junior Vicki Chandler proves that she can do the job as well as any male employee. Vickie works at a local gas station.





Anyone for an egg roll? Sophomore Ted Itczak and freshman Chris Gonzalez take a behind-the-scene job of making a Chinese dish with minced vegetables in deep fired dough.

Sparks of light and molten metal spray the ground as junior Gary Vajda uses an arc welder to repair a broken coupler. Gary is an employee at Star Railroad Equipment.



Oddities: they're at work

"Odd (od) adj. 1.a. Strange; unusual. b. Queer or eccentric in conduct. 2. In addition to or in excess of what is usual, regular or approximated: odd iobs: 40-odd persons. 3. Being one of an incomplete pair or set; extra. 4. Not divisible by two. - odd'ly adv." - American Heritage

"What is the definition of 'odd' doing in the yearbook?'' "I'm not sure but I think it

has something to do with the spread about odd jobs."

"Odd jobs? What do you mean by odd jobs?"

"You know the jobs that are different, something besides working at the gas station or McDonalds,'

"Oh!" you mean people like Gary Vajda, who works at a railroad repair yard. He does everything from repaint the cars to changing the brakes."

"Right, and Glenn Wiedeman works on a farm."

"A farm! You mean he does stuff like drive tractors ...

"... and trucks, and fork lifts. He does all types of uncommon jobs that could be classified as odd, sometimes he even cuts cabbage.'

"Another person, I mean, group of people who have odd jobs are the three Itczaks, Ted, Tim, and Tom. They work at The Egg Roll Hut, making the egg rolls."

"They're triplets too, that is another oddity."

"And there is Rick Long" "What kind of weird job does he have?"

"He shampoos carpets. He even owns the machine he uses."

"Wow! I didn't realize all the job opportunities that there were, but I guess people will do anything for money.





Carpet cleaners are machines usually rented. but senior Rick Long owns his. Rick is in business for himself, setting the times and being his own boss

Aside from sleeping in on weekday mornings, many students spend summer working. Senio Glen Wiedeman spent his summer vacation picking cabbage at Zandstra's farm.



In the driver's seat of a bus an individual carries a large number of responsibilities. It not only means keeping an eye on the road, but also on the students.

Take the bus or bust

He strolls into the office to pick up his schedule. Quickly his eyes scan the paper to find what he has been hoping to see. He breathes a sigh of relief as the words "late bus" appear on his bus pass. He dreams of the luxurious extra twenty minutes of sleep each morning. Maybe this year he will be able to stay awake during his first hour class.

At 7 a.m. every school day drowsy-eyed students trudge aboard and plop into a seat. As the bus pulls out thoughts of neglected homework run through the early bus rider's mind. Well, at least there is an hour before the 8 a.m. bell tolls.

At 7:20 a.m. a slightly more awake group of students await the arrival of the late bus.

While some are filled in on the latest gossip, other students contemplate the seemingly interminable hour of classes ahead. Still others are those who are checking to make sure that they have their right shoe on their right fost.

Along with providing needed transportation to school, the buses also serve as spirit boosters. They offer rides to students who otherwise have no means of getting to away games.

Credit must be given to the brave individuals who dare to drive the fan buses. These

drivers have to keep their heads and remain calm amidst the yelling, singing and cheering of the Panther pushers.

After the 2:55 p.m. bell, the breezeway floods with students discussing the day's happenings and the coming night's. Finally a bus is spotted. A feeling of anticipation arises (especially in temperatures below 20°F.)

School is behind them for one more day. The only problem left for the day is worked out on the ride home: the plan of attack for raiding the refrigerator.

Bus riding everyday gets to be a drag for sophomore Melanie Owczarazk, as she passes her time staring out into space, sorting her thoughts from the day's events.





Crowds of students file past Mr. Donald Ray as each person hopes for a seat. Having to stand makes the already dreary ride home, just a little bit worse.

The bus ride to school provides the perfect opportunity for junior Violet Sumner to catch up on some neglected studying, as sophomore Janet Mirda daydreams.







To ride or not to ride. For some students the walk home is faster and many times more enjoyable, especially when the weather is pleasant and above 30°F.

A familiar sight to numerous drivers in the early hours of the day is the eye-opening yellow rectangle of a school bus, as they stop and then continue on.

Magazines to money

Ding Dong!

I wonder if he'll be mad; I was just here last month. Joe thinks as he hesitantly presses his neighbor's doorbell.

"Oh, it's you again," his neighbor says jokingly, "What are you selling this time?'

"Magazines, records, tapes and cassettes," blurts Joe.

"Well, come in and I'll look at what you've got."

Such experiences are familiar for club members and others who depend on fund-raising for money.

Cheerleaders and Pantherettes can be spied tottering down the hall, balancing cases of candy and books.

Students beat the munchies as they willingly shell out 50 cents for a box containing 23 peanut M&M's.

Canvassing the town the band sold two and a half tons of popcorn. The choir brought candlelight into many homes with their annual candle sale.

Other groups raised money working the concession stand or raffling off the game ball.

To finance Prom, the Junior Class sold magazines and enticed people off the street to their car wash and bake sale.

The sophomores hosted a bake sale and other fund-raising activities to help finance and sponsor a Turnabout.

Paper drives, a flea market, dances and selling mums were part of the variety of fund-raisers.

"So, you would like to buy a TV Guide subscription? Great, thanks," says Joe enthusiastically.

"You're such a good salesman, maybe you ought to make sales a career," his neighbor replies.

Football Involves taking risks but when it comes to collecting funds to finance a trip to Muncie senior Scott Omen takes his chances avoiding oncoming cars.









Plastered along the wall, leftover Reflector pictures give the cafeteria a new look. Sophomore Sandy Kellner spies familiar faces at the annual picture sale

Old clothes, shoes and pop are offered at the choir's flea market sale. Working to purchase robes and attend a contest are seniors Anne Szeka and Deanna Ingram.

Peanut Power. President Carter has it and so does sophomore Diane Lindauer as she succumbs to her own sales. The profits help purchase cheerleading uniforms.

The sale must go on. Junior Kathy Stassin, alias Martha Washington, portrays her loyalty to cheerleaders as she sells Homecoming mums during Spirit Week.





Washing cars tires the arms of junior Renea Atkinson, graduate Mary Pramuk and junior Julie Leslie as they helped the Junior Class raise \$138.75 for Homecoming.





Patiently looking over the fine art in the park, sophomore Melanie Gerhke and senior Debbie Huseman try to decide which piece of handmade pottery to purchase.

Gooey, cheesy pizza and a Panther victory suits junior Phil Sawyer's Friday night although he finds he may need scissors before he can eat his pizza.



Trippin' down Broad St.

or worse

Some people in our town think that Griffith is a boring, dull, uneventful town. This may be true, but we do have our good points, as well as our bad ones.

Griffith is a growing town, as well as an old and established town, the fourth largest in Indiana. That is town, not city.

The construction in the town has been giving its residents a giant sized headache. Weaving in and out of countless detour signs, the residents grit their teeth to keep the blowing sand into their mouths, while roads have been torn up in a massive sewer project.

Griffith High School itself is being enlarged with the new gym which is to be finished in the spring of 1980.

Traveling downtown from Ridge Road on Broad Street, which is in Ripley's Believe It or Not for being the shortest highway in the world, one comes across many interesting points in Griffith.

At Central Park there are

three baseball diamonds where little league games and the Babe Ruth league have most of their games. The tank across the park dates to World War II.

Continuing on, Franklin School is passed. Built in 1911, Franklin was the only school in the area serving Highland, Munster and Griffith. Down the road a little more is the business district: Blythe's, Kaplan's, Bowl Arena, Walgreens and Gary National Bank are the established businesses.

Further south 13 tracks cross. The tracks were the beginnings of the town.

Griffith, not the most dynamic town, but it is ours. For better or worse.

Standing tall. The water tower in Griffith located on Ridge Road, holds the town's water and also serves as a marker. You know you are home when you see it.

A walk down Broad Street may not be exactly what makes for an exciting Saturday, but these girls find it a way to spice up their free time afternoons.







Time to take out the old and put up the new. Melvin Simon and Associates, third largest mall builders in the country, work on the construction of Griffith Park Mall.

For better

Dateless? Follow Ernie

_or worse

Ernie is horrified to discover that it is Friday night and he does not have a date for the ninth week in a row. For lack of something better to do he calls Bert. Bert has not had a date in 10 weeks. After debating on the situation, Ernie and Bert decide to cruise around da Region in Bert's Plymouth.

They head out of Griffith toward the night life, Broadway in Gary. Upon reaching Broadway they turn south and go into the heart of the city. While stopped at a light some dude in a '78 Vette wants to race; Bert tells the guy "No!" The light changes and the guy with the Vette burns.

out. Ernie notices all the cars in Mays' parking lot with people sitting on them. "Up in Smoke" and "Death on the Nile" are showing at Crossroads. Ernie wants to stop Bert says, "No."

Exiting Gary the two decide to head for Southlake Mall. Bert finds a parking space to his liking by Sears. Ernie leads the way as the two hurry toward the center mall for the truck show. They watch for girls too. At 9:30 p.m. the mall closes and Bert and Ernie depart.

Passing back through Gary Ernie notices that all the cars in Mays' Parking lot are gone.

They turn off Broadway and head back toward Griffith. Deciding 10:30 is too early to go home Bert heads for Shakey's in Highland. Bert orders a medium sausage and mushroom pizza. Ernie tries to buy some beer but they will not sell it to him so he settles for root beer. Bert and Ernie leave bursting at the seams. Bert drops Ernie off at home.

The night could have been better, it could have been worse; it was typical in da Region.

From crimes to shops. All have been a part of the Old Courthouse in downton. Crown Point. The courthouse was left standing as a monumen and is now filled with antique shops.



Though sidewalks don't exist on Ridge Road, many opportunities to cure boredom do. From the latest movies to jelly doughnuts, to bargain buys, Ridge Road has it all.





Amoco Oil Company, it creates jobs but, it has its drawbacks: a) oil companies are unattractive b) they're polluters but, we wouldn't be here without them.

Mobs and over spending can cause problems at Southlake. However, sophomores Debbie Bollhorst, Cathy Toth and Sandy Stevens find looking more fun than spending.

Rush hour. It happens two times a day on Cline Avenue. When mill shifts change, rush hour starts. It may be hectic, but it's the only way for workers to get to their jobs.





CHICAGO WHITE SOX

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Rush hour to Nichiam Ave., under the direction of a Chicago cop.

CHICAGO

The place where nearly everyone wants to spend more time. No wonder with all it offers big league baseball, football, basketball, and hockey, shopping in the Loop and Water Tower Place; auto, boat, sportman's and flower shows: concerts breathtaking views from the top of Big John or Sears Tower; museums, the Shed Aquarium or the Art Institute and anything else one can imagine, Baseball is a big reason for going to Chi-Town.



The streets of Chinatown as explored by seniors Robin Bradley, Joe Yates and Kristy Turner.



World cultural history is offered at the Field Museum of Natural Histroy.



The Picasso in the Daley Center

On any summer day scores of people hop the South Shore for a ride to Comiskey Park or Wrigley Field.

Later in the year, a few lucky fans can pick up football tickets and spend an afternoon at Soldier's Field cheering on the Bears. If sports aren't a turn on, then maybe the thousands of stores are. Water Tower Place is a shopping complex of nine floors of stores with glass elevators cages moving shoppers from stores to restaurants to theaters.

Sin Chicago is the second biggest city in the U.S. ere are never any shortages of good concerts. Friday and Saturday nights usually find Soldier's Field, he Stadium and Ampitheater jammed to capacity If yo still aren't amused, the Field Museum of Scienc, and Industry offers a variety of exhibits ranging from a submarine ride to a telephone call o, pick whatever you want to do. It is all waiting for you in Chicago, the city that works.

For better:

Chow'n chatter time

or worse

"This is Mork from Ork saying, 'Hello' all you earthlings."

Many students for relaxation find themselves filling their evenings watching T.V., whether it is Mork and Mindy, Rockford Files, The Muppet Show, Charlie's Angels, or Soap. Others spend their time cruising, making music, or sleeping, while others are forced to finish their homework.

Cruising is many students' favorite past time. Defined, it is riding in the car with a bunch of friends, just generally bumming.

Making music, some choose to play the piano, guitar, flute or saxophone, while others invest at least \$1,000 in a complete stereo and sound system.

After a hard day at school with all the frustrating equations and easily forgotten history dates, the worn out student finds himself dozing. In his dreams is the cute girl that sits in front of him in biology.

Although most student's free time is spent outside school there are many breaks within.

During the five-minute class breaks, students can be seen scrambling to their lockers thirty seconds before the bell rings. The reason? Too much time was spent combing the hair before the bathroom mirror, or too much time was spent gossiping with friends.

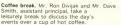
Lunch is also primarily used to relay gossip (eating is secondary.) Announcements of a pop quiz in English, a new kid in school or the spring play are the common topics at the table.

Free time activities range from watching television or talking to a friend between classes to completing homework. For better or worse everyone needs to take a break.

Cross country break. After a grueling run sophomore Rich McCarroll thirstily gulps a couple of glasses of water. The team had a season of 8-6







Animal break. Partying the best way to take a break. Brought on by National Lampoon's Movie "Animal House," juniors Mike Orr and Dave Randolph join in a toga party.





Graduation break. Seniors Don Galinski and Carl Kus take a rest before Honors Day events, to look over their final issue of the Panther Press.

Drink break. It is one way to skip class. Senior Scott Swiontek finds a sixth hour drink, followed by a walk down the hall, a refreshing change.







Music break. Books are put aside as students and teachers relax to the sound of the Salt and Light Company, which performed for a convocation during school hours.

Brown Baggin'



Arragh! Without even looking at her watch, Sue already knows that it is about lunch time, (At least that is what her built-in clock says.) With 20 minutes left in class, all she can do is try to supress the embarrassing growl, and decide on possible lunch plans.

While the teacher rambles on, several thoughts cross Sue's mind. "Wednesday: ranch steaks, also known as raunch steaks better look toward plan B, the short line. A little better, maybe I'll grab a burger and potato chips."

Suddenly the famished student is brought back to life as a finger jabs into her shoulder. A note is handed to her.
"I have the car. Do you want to go out?"

She is saved from the cafeteria but now there is the 30-minute rush to snarf down her lunch at McDonalds.

Pat didn't have the car so she had to stay at school. The "growls" would effect her later, as she was dieting. She decided to sit out her lunch and read her chemistry.

Al and Tom streaked to 7-11 and gulped down a "slurpee." But they were forced to dash back to school to avoid being tardy.

Sue returned five minutes early to visit with friends who have

filled the ledge. When the weather is warmer, the ledge loses some occupants to its rival, the patio, where people can talk and sun.

The bell rings. John tromps into class late because he had walked home. Lunch is forgotten until the next day. "Thursday: hamburgers, better known as soybean burgers ..."



Teachers eat too. The social studies clique eats together. Mr. Harold Mack and Mr. Carl Dalton brown bag it, while a carton of milk accompanies Mr. Kim Hunter's school lunch

A dash should do it. Knowing that everybody has his own taste, senior Brian Ferry takes some time to suit his own by adding salt to his taco.

i can't reach it. Junior Amy Johnson tells junior Bob Hafner that she wants blueberry yogurt. Bob spends his lunch time behind the counter.







Catching some of the first rays of spring by sacrificing lunch makes for a perfect sun-tanning session, as seniors Julie Sobkowicz and Teri Kasprzak find out.

When the cafeteria's menu isn't satisfying, senior Chris Rucoba finds that a Big Mac and a few minutes away from the school routine brings a welcome break

For better

The great blizzard of '79

or worse

Came today, did the blizzard, snow is wet, air is frigid twelve inches of snow. snow blower won't blow shoveling in the winter wonderland.

This parody ran through Greg's mind as he painfully lifted another heap of snow and threw it to the side of the walk. His mom sent him out into the cruel cold world with only a shovel to keep him company.

Many problems face a person entering the winter season. Let's

follow Greg's day to view some. This particular morning



Greg's alarm clock didn't go off so he had to take a late shower. When he left the house, his slightly damp hair froze stiff. As he walked out, he

noticed that the driveway, which he had shoveled the night before, was blocked by mounds of snow, pushed there by the snowplow.

Deciding to take the chance, Greg spent ten uneasy minutes in trying to start the car and attempting to back the car over the mounds of snow. He got stuck and had to run for the bus.

In running for the bus door, his foot lost traction on the ice. Thus, he received serious injury to his body and his ego.

Later that day Greg was splattered with a snowball. In the process of returning one a car drove in front of him and he was given a drawn-out lecture on the dangers of snowball throwing.

Walking through the snow, Greg wondered why other mothers didn't make their kids shovel. After looking at 7-11 travel

posters, Greg proceeded home. When he arrived there his girlfriend called to drop their date. She had chapped lips. Greg soon moved to Mexico

With more snow on the way, junior Barb Mann tries to keep her sidewalks free of slush during the Region's second worst blizzard with a total accumulation of 29"

Sewer pipe sentinels. Waiting for the snow and cold to pass, these pipes have been lying along the streets since early fall in hopes of going underground.





Digging out. For junior Scott McPherson the job was made easier with the aid of his snow blower. Students enjoyed a three-day weekend, due to the heavy snowfall.



Snow piles and stalled engines are problems faced by winter drivers. This summer when cars overheat, folks who ride behind the wheel can remember "The Blizzard of '79."



Errrr! Icy streets can be fun to drive on, but can also be hazardous. An unidentified driver finds himself going east instead of south with the aid of an unexpected skid.

Lab partners. Whether alphabetically seated or chosen, sophomores Don Fech and Keith Lickwar are stuck. Cooperation is their key as instant friends.

You take the top and I will take bottom Junior Donna Fech shares her locker with junior Kathi Stassin. Downstairs lockers are always in big demand.







Junk food. There's nothing like it when you are hungry. Senior Robin Bradley becomes senior Scott Brkovich's instant friend as she bums goodies from his locker.

Court in session. It isn't real, but senior Warc Sharp relies on his defense attorney, senior Rich Underwood, to get him acquitted by cross-examining senior Andi Mantis.





Wanted: instant friends

Instant coffee, instant cereal, instant soup and now Instant Friends, a new product guaranteed to bring popularity to the user overnight. This product can be used in the privacy of your own home or in public. All you have to do is follow these simple guidelines:

GIRLS.

- 1. Be attractive (Looks count. especially when trying to attract the opposite sex).
- 2. Have great legs (The boys will love you).
- 3. Don't have great legs (The girls will love you).
- 4. Be a cheerleader (Leaders are liked, especially when they wear short skirts and tight sweaters).
- 5. Bring food to school (Give it to people who promise to come to
- your "sweet sixteen" party). 6. Have the answers to the biology test (You'll be amazed at
- the number of people who want to be your lab partner).
- 7. Don't be a teacher's pet (Nobody likes a brown nose.)
- 8. Offer everyone a drink on the house (Give them grape juice in a Dixie cup).
- 9. Invite everyone to your house to hear Steve Martin's latest record (Just don't tell them

about your broken stereo). 10. Tell all the girls your brother is a hunk (Don't tell them he's only 12 years old). ROYS

1. Be a jock (It's the only cool thing to be).

2. Own a car (You'll pick up friends by the carloads, especially when it is raining or snowing).

- 3. Have a cleft in your chin (Ever since John Travolta hit the
- streets, clefts are in and dimples are out). 4. Wear Levis (There is something
- about that pocket that drives women wild).
- 5. Don't have greasy hair (That went out with the 50's).
- 6. Have money (Always carry a \$20 bill in your left rear pocket for those special occasions when bribery is needed).
- 7. Crack jokes in class (Everybody loves a clown).
- 8. Be a wild and crazy guy (and don't forget to put the arrow through your head).
- 9. Be the Panther Press editor (and promise to put a story in the paper about all your friends.) 10. Keep a fresh supply of bubble gum on hand (You never know when it might come in handy).



Money. It makes the world go 'round. It also is a wonderful way to gain a friend. If money is in your wallet. friends are at your side.

"Could you please tell me my grade?" Senior Robin Black finds that Mr. James Mason can be very helpful, especially when he's got the answers and the test scores.

Now that you've read what an amazing product Instant Friends is, here's all you have to do to order: -

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And the winner is Floral center pieces used to decorate the tables at Prom were raffled by Mr. Gerald Spejewski, English teacher and Junior Class sponsor.

With the excitement of the good news, junior Tammy Klovanish springs into the air as she is announced queen. Junior Bunnie Lindsey extends her congratulations.







A magic night or a boring evening? Some Prom couples had planned for months to attend; others found a date at the last minute. Either was a night to remember.

April showers bring May flowers. On the night of the Prom both came. The showers were outside, and juniors Mara Gulliver and Jerry Bandura held flowers inside.



With all the glamour of being chosen Prom King and Queen, juniors Tammy Klovanish and Craig Ford take time to pose for a picture after being crowned.



Spending the evening with a new friend, followed by an endless day, is a time to remember. Even though so many moments shared together, they were still

Precious and Few

All the events that took place in preparation for that one special night are flashing vividly through your mind as you board "The Loop," one of the numerous rides at "Old Chicago." Jim, a senior you had met only four weeks ago, asked you to Prom. The hassles of the past weekends spent searching for the perfect dress, shoes and the extra paraphernalia soon fade into memories.

You can clearly remember yourself fussing for the big night ahead: Mom's helping with the hair that will not stay in place and your re-polishing the nail chipped while fastening the buckle on the new sandals.

The doorbell rings, Dad takes pictures and finally you and Jim are on your way to attend the Prom, "Precious and Few." Craig Ford and Tammy Klovanish reign

To sit with new friends and enjoy a meal is as much a part of Prom as the dancing. "Precious and Few" brought a little bit of both for an entertaining evening.

as queen and king for the evening.

The dancing is great, and the food is not as bad as you thought it might be. Post-Prom is even better, and before you know it the night, or morning, has drawn to a close.

Later that morning your plans of soaking in the sun with Sus and John, the couple you sat next to, are slightly altered, due to the rainy weather. You, like many other couples, are forced to spend your day after Prom indoors. "Old Chicago" is a welcomed alternative.

All those dreams, "Precious and Few" as they are, are suddenly lost, as you become aware that you are flying upside-down and whipping around faster than you can believe. Exiting queasily through the gate you head straight to the restroom to try to find your stomach.



The Instamatic - as simple as a clock with memories to last a life time. Telling her classmates to smile, senior Kim Burgess snaps their last high school event.

"Yea!" Obviously senior Jim Bratcher agrees with the speaker. Emotions play a strong role in commencement, Whether tears or cheers, the senior is now a graduate.



The Finished Products

Say good-bye to crowded halls, reaching for top lockers, proms. frustrated sophomores, turnabouts. pep sessions, spirit week, floats, committees, plays, choir concerts, student council, athletic events. sleepless nights worrying about the geometry test.

Remember the first day of kindergarten when you could not imagine keeping that up for twelve more years? Believe it or not, you made it! Two thousand, four hundred and eighteen times you got up early, wolfed down a bowl of Coco Crispies and told your mom you would finish your homework during English.

Then there was that memorable first day of junior high. Each classroom you walked into was filled with few familiar grade school companions and quite a few new faces from the three other grade schools. Somehow you got through junior high and even managed to make friends.

Composing your own schedule was a bite. After spending 20 minutes trying to fit Biology I

and II, the guidance counselor had the nerve to tell you that Biology was closed third hour.

Before you knew it, it was here, that awesome first day of high school, the day you dreaded and dreamed about all summer. It wasn't so bad, was it?

You survived the high school years; they were a breeze. You now move to the next plateau, realizing your high school years are over, forever.

But then there is Homecoming

Pulling out of the parking lot, onto Wiggs Street is the final step in graduation.
Senior Mary Pramuk, robed and excited, shouts that "We're number one!"







Bobby pins, either in the mouth or in the hair, they are a girl's best friend when something needs to stay in place. Senior Kathy Polites fixes April Godra's cap.

"Hand me down my walking cane," says senior John Alexander as he stops for a moment on his way to graduation rehearsal. John broke his leg when running the hurdles.

After the excitement of receiving a diploma, senior Carolyn Donnelly reads the special paper she has waited so long to receive. Carolyn graduated with 283 students.





Several seniors demonstrated their artistic abilities by decorating the courtyard. The trees and lawns were covered with numerous rolls of toilet paper.

Mr. Richard Anderson, and Mr. Milford Christenson, both School Board members, try to create school policies that benefit teachers and students. Principal Sam Cox advised the faculty and students. Mr. James Donnelly, also a School Board member, worked to better school policies.

Administrative assistant, Mr. William Gali, met with the School Board to discuss school policies. Treasurer Mrs. Leona Kane checked school records and kept the payroll balanced. Superintendent Robert Kurtz implemented school policy. Mr. David Smlth, assistant principal, handled the student relations and discipline.





Miss Nancy Ashton taught art appreciation miss Nancy Ashton taught art appreciation and drawing and painting. Besides teaching economics and government, Mr. Lee Baidwin sponsored Honor Society and the high school Bowling Club. Mr. Jim Bartiett served as athletic director. Mrs. Sandra Beahm's specialty was teaching biology.

Mr. Richard Beeson taught plane and solid geometry and consumer math. Mrs. Connie Sue Bertram taught algebra, plane geometry and basic math. Mr. Howard Besch instructed chemistry and physics. Government and economics were taught by Mr. Bill Birk.



Personnel

The faculty sweating it out

Jogging, Lately it is the "in" thing to do. Everybody's running whether it's for health and weight problems or just to stay in shape.

Mr. Leslie, wood shop teacher, got the idea to jog from reading a book.

"I started to jog so I could get back in shape, like when I was younger.

Mr. Leslie likes to run in the morning. "It gets me ready for school. I can plan the whole day while I run.'

Mr. Carl Dalton, Social Studies chairman, has been running for a year. Mr. Dalton doesn't like to run but does it for his health. "My doctor told me to jog. It makes the heart stronger."

Mr. Wayne Price, typing teacher, jogs indoors at Calumet High School after school.

"Running is healthy. You stay in shape and keep your weight down. It helps your heart too."

Mr. Les Thorton, social studies teacher, has been running since August to stay in shape. In November Mr. Thornton was in a race with 500 other persons. He placed 334th.

"When I started, I couldn't even run around the

block," he said.

Mr. Larry Parker, junior high shop teacher, has been jogging for 9 months. He started running with Coach Platt who hurt his knee and had to quit.

"I started to run to lose

weight. I enjoy running; it makes me feel good physically," said Mr. Parker. "I'm looking forward to running in the snow."

Jogging, whatever for, it's the "in" thing.













Mrs. Dorothy Blum taught French and English. Mr. Frank Burke instructed physical education and industrial arts in addition to coaching the boys track team. Mrs. Ruth Carmichael taught biology. Miss Pat Clark taught journalism, sponsored the Reflector, Panther Press, News Bureau, and Quill and Scroll.







Mr. Noel Cross directed the band. Mr. Carl Dalton instructed psychology, and socialogy. Mrs. Sandy Dennis taught health classes. Mr. Ronald Divjak taught gym classes.

Mrs. Mary Earp aided as the school nurse. Mrs. Susie El Nagger taught algebra and geometry









Mrs. Judith Erickson taught English minicourses. Mr. Arthur Flscus aided as the audio-visual director.





Mr. James Garretson aided as the Guidance Department head. Mr. Joseph Glassford taught power mechanics.

Mr. Charles Harkin taught English minicourses. Miss Rebecca Hawk taught interior

Varsity Basketball.

design.





















Personnel

In the past four decades many things have changed. Buildings, cars, beliefs, ideas, and goals have taken on a new appearance. But for Mrs. Dorothy Blum, apparently the most obvious change is teaching.

Mrs. Blum, French teacher. started her career in Hummingburg, Indiana. Her classes included 7th through 12th graders in history, English and French.

"There was an awful lot more preparation than there is now.' Mrs. Blum stated.

Working every hour with no breaks and sponsoring extra activities lead to a grand total of a \$1,100 salary a year. In January of 1946 Mrs. Blum was hired as an English teacher at Griffith, A year-and-a-half







Mr. Nels Kompler taught chemistry.



Mrs. Janet Konopasek was a secretary for the high school office.



Mr. Dick Koval taught accounting and business law.

... prettiest language I had ever heard.'

later she convinced the School Board to offer French. Mrs. Blum had wanted to teach French since her 8th grade general language class. She said she felt, "French was the prettiest language I had ever heard.

Since then the study of the French language has changed greatly, she said.

"It used to be that the emphasis was 'strictly traditional,' or that it was based on grammar, reading and translating; the emphasis changed in the early 60's. It was now based on communication, listening and speaking."

Mrs. Blum then applied for a scholarship to attend a college in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, to further her studies in the communication of French. Applying for another scholarshop led her to study abroad in Besonćon, France. Later she attended Indiana University to receive her masters.

As the study of French changed, Griffith High School (then located in what is now the junior high) also changed. In 1962 the language lab was constructed.

Mrs. Blum said that she realized how important communicating in French was.

"My outlook on life changed. I was more involved in a new world and I wanted to share this with others."

As a goal she hoped to instruct others in what she knew.

"Seeing students I had in school going further in studies than I've gone myself was

quite satisfying."

Doug Brendal, a '73 alumnus, was the editor in college of

a French magazine. Other French students have become translators and teachers.

But the changing times are not always for the better.

"Teaching is not the joy and satisfaction that it used to be. I don't feel I'm communicating with enough students. They need somebody that they can communicate with."

So an 8th grade general language dream is fulfilled, but must be cut short to move on.

Mrs. Blum plans to travel a lot. She has always wanted to before she was too old to. She is not planning to leave the area for at least two years. But she concluded, "There's no more school for me".

And the wheels of time

And the wheels of tim keep on turning ...









Mrs. Susanne LamfalusI taught U.S. history and sponsered Y-teens. Mrs. Clare Lazar was the audio-visual aide. Mr. Dan Leslle instructed woodshop and coached the swim and diving teams. Mr. Harold Mack taught world history.

Personnel

They could not get enough, so they came back. Mr. Harold Mack and Mr. Thomas Shatzman returned to high school, but this time they are on the other side of the desk.

Mr. Mack, graduating with the Class of 1944, has been teaching at Griffith for 24 years and coaching for 20 years.

Looking back at his high school years, Mr. Mack stated, "I was in the band, playing the trumpet and the baritone. My favorite subjects were History, Poetry and Foreign Language."

I played basketball, football, baseball and ran a little track, earning 12 major letters."

When asked how the school has changed, Mr. Mack commented. "Highland was coming here too, there are a lot more courses to choose from, the guidance department has a lot more tests for college and the school is in a different building."

"When I went to school we had to seek out a favorite teacher to help us with problems.

In 1944, the administration department consisted of an excoach being a teacher in the morning and in the afternoon he was the principal. He dealt with tardies, discipline of the students, teacher's problems, and ran the school."

In 1979, the administration department consists of a full time principal, assistant

Mr. James Mason served as chairman of the Math Dept and taught calculus, trig, and consumer math. Miss Sharon McClean taught English classes. Mr. George McClure taught machine shop in addition to teaching driver's education. Mrs. Margaret McNabney instructed typing and business.

Mrs. Jeanne Medsker was an office secretary.
Mr. Ken Miller taught Distributive Education,
and sponsored DECA, besides sponsoring the
Sophomore Class. Mr. Larry Owen taught history. Mrs. Jacquelyn Oexmann spent her first
year at Criffith High School teaching biology
and human issues.

Students turn tables; advise kids, classes

principal, two secretaries, director of pupil personnel, attendance secretary, the athletic director and four counselors.

Mr. Mack concluded, "It's nice to come back to your home town to teach. You see it and the school develop."

Mr. Shatzman graduated n 1967. This is his first year on the administration staff.

Since 1967 Mr. Shatzman said that, "The new addition has helped the big enrollment of students; this year's graduating class is larger compared to mine."

"I remember a teacher of mine that is still here, Mr. O'Nourke. Some other changes I remember are that the graduating requirements are higher and there are more counselors to help students."

"Being a student, I think, is more fun than being a teacher or administrator. Teachers feel a lot of pressure from students; their job is more complicated by having to grade a lot of papers and make up tests."

Returning to school, but this time not to graduate.







Cafeteria Staff-Back row: Mrs. Jennie Skoczen, Mrs. May Eichensher, Mrs. Jean Williams, Mrs. Bonnie Williams, Mrs. Aelene Bradley, Front row:

Mrs. Marion Koleski, Mrs. Yvonne, Jane Pigg, Mrs. Martha Johnsen.



Mrs. Terry Pearson taught sewing and clothing classes. Mrs. Kyra Perry instructed typing classes. Mr. Bill Platt taught cons. math and algebra in addition to coaching the basketball team. Mr. Wayne Price taught the typing classes and coached the golf team.

Miss Cynthia Przondo directed the choirs besides teaching musc theory, Mr. Donald Apylaught government and helped score the football and basketball games. Mr. Charles Ricks instructed art classes and coached the golf team, Mrs. Patricia Sanders served as a secretary for guidance.

Mr. Thomas Schatzman served as Director of Pupil Personal during his first year at Griffith High School. Mr. Daniel Schroeder taught drafting and served as department chairman. Mr. Robert Sohn directed the Band. Mr. Gerald Spejewaki taught English besides sponsoring the Senior Class.

Mr. Stephen Stanczak taught social studies classes. English was taught by Mrs. Marianne Strozewski. Mrs. Susan Taggart spent her first year at Griffith High teaching prep. and home economics. Mr. Lester Thornton taught social studies and served as coach of the football team.

Mrs. Lawrene Trowbridge was sponsor to the Sophomores and served as librarian. Mrs. Julie Turner served as secretary in the high school office. Mr. Ray Weaver taught Spanish and sponsered Student Council. Mr. Robert Witt instructed ceramics and arts and crafts.

Seniors Wrapping it up, looking ahead

For most seniors their last year was a whirlwind trip from adolenscence to adulthood. New responsibilities arose as they prepared to leave the security of home and Griffith High and head for college, a job or marriage.

Memories highlighted their three years in high school. Among the most prevalent were the three consecutive Activities Night, championships, the spirit flag the



junior year and Turnabout.

Countless M&M and \$4,200 worth of magazines subscriptions were sold to help finance Prom.

Some seniors were glad to get out of school, but most were reluctant to leave the security of what they knew so well.

Senior Executive Council- Back Row: Kim Ki linski, Craig Ford, Jerry Bandura, Tammy Kiovanish, Lori Chappell, Dawn Stephens, Robin Bradley, Terry Dickens. Middle Row: Sue Filkowski, Patty Hillman, Pat Carlson, Carol Kovecsi, Pat Stevens, Robin Blunt, Barbara Thomas. Front Row: Ruthann Hilbrich, pres. Jill Zengler, vice pres, Anita Spitz, sec'y, Bunnie Lindsey, treas.

Craig Adems. Michael E. Adams-Concert Choir 2-4; Dramatics 2.4, Madrigals 4, Bowling Club 2-4 Rob Clere Alger-Sasketball 2-4; Football 2; Varsity Club 3.4 Keth Altenbaugh. Dwayne Richard Alliss-Bas-ketball 2; Track 2,3; Swimming 3; Concert Choir 2-4; Dramatics 2-4; Madrigals 2-4; Varsity Club 4, Bowl-ing Club 4; Tamile Jane Allsbury.

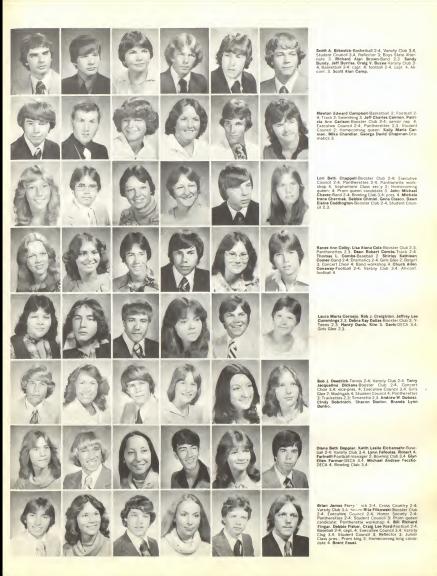
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Ilssa Ann Baumer. Brian A. Bartsch. Mark Kevin Bavil. Robin Rene Black-Tenns 3.4; Basketball Booster Club 2; DECA 2; Bowling Club 4; Executr Council 3; Student Council 4; Y-Teens 2,3. Elbe Lyn Blair. Wade Allen Bleker-DECA 3,4

Walter Blankenship, William Thomas Blankenship-Swemming 2; Concert Chor 2-4; Bowling Club 3.4 Scott Blouth, Robol Elizabeth Blunt Beotster Club 2-Scott Blouth, Robol Elizabeth Blunt Beotster Club 2-4 Madrigals 3.4; Student Council 3.4; Reflector 2.3 Batgin 2-4; Timester 2.3; Rodger Ryan Blythe-Bs-ketball 2; Football 3.4; ceptan 4, Baseball 2-4; Varsis YClub 3.4; Prom king candidate, Merconf. football 4 Kevin L. Boliforsti-Hence Scotty 3.6

Kathleen Merie Bradley-Gymnastics 2-4; Booster Club 3; Executive Council 2; Student Council 3,4 Robin Lee Bradley-Swimming 2; Gymnastics 2; Booster Club 2-4; vice pres. 3; pres. 4; Y-Teens 2; Student Council 3,4; Girls Glee 2; Executive Council Student Council 3.4; Girls Glee 2; Executive Council 2-4, Varsity Club 3.4; Trackettes 2-4 Erfc Brajner-Football 2; Track 2. Dan Bright. Michelle Marle Brill-Booster Club 3.4; Concert Choir 3.4; Dramatics 2-4; Executive Council 2.3; Student Council 2-4; Y-Teens 4. Debble Briski.





Janice Lee Frailey-Gymnastics 2. Cheerleader 3.4. Concert Choir 4. Dawn Lynn Frisk Swimming 2.3, Timerettes. Kathleen Frost. Allan Scott Gabrys-Swimming 2.4, capt 4. All Conf 3. Varsty Club 2.4 Becky Galambos. Peggy Ann Gardenhire.

Laurie L. Gardow. Robert John Gelser-Band 2-4; Jazz Band 4, Jeff L. Gerlike. Mary Beth Girman-DECA 3-4; Girl's Glee Club 2-4, John R. Glass. Tom Stanley Glover-Band 2-4, Band Workshop 2-4

Frank Gonzalez-Basketball 3.4. Rosemarle Ellen Gottschilch-Track 2, Band 2-4: Dramatics 2; National Honor Society 2-3. James Robert Govert-Football 2; Wresting 2.3. Ted William Greger-Goll 2-4 Patricia Elizabeth Griffin. Teresa Guess.

Mara Gulliver. Albert Jay Gustamente-Concert Choir 2-4, Madrigals 4 John Walter Hedjuch, 'Tim D. Hall, Robert Hanlon, 'Tracy Robert Hansen-Track 3,4; Wresting 2; Concert Choir 2-4; Madrigals 3,4; Varsity 4; Bowling Club 4.

Debble Hanson. Heather Heldl Healy-Concert Choir 3.4, Pres., Dramatics 2-4: Girl's Glee 2: Madrigals 4. Nisbow a solonis 2-4. State Contest 3-4; Student Council. Sandra Lynn Helin-Booster Club 3,4; Yvteens 3.4; Treas 4. Jee. L. Helfen. Troy M. Hendron-Baseball 2: Bowling Club 3. Marcla E. Hernandez-Booster Club 2: Student Council 2,3.

Bill R. Hibrich-Prom King Candidate. Ruthann Maris Hibrich-Swimming 4. Baskerbail 2.3, Volleybail Chib 2-4, Studen Council 3-4. Executive Council 2-4. Sophomore, Senior Class Pres ; Junior Class Vice Pres ; Prom Queen Candidate, Horinocoming Queen Green Candidate, Horinocoming Queen Booster Club 2-4; Executive Council 2-4. Student Council 3. Pantherates 2-4; pres 4. Pantherates Workshop 3-4 Mitcheld Dians Holcomb-Booste Club 2. Beth Hollina. Timothy Mitchell Hoover.

Ron Wayne Horvat-Honor Society 2. Scott E. Houldisson-Footgall 2-4: Baseball 2: Honor Society 4: Varisty Club 4. Paristy Club 4. Debble L. Howard-Booster Club 3: DECA 3-4. Guir's Glee 2.3. Bowling Club 3: Brends see Hunt-Swimming 2-3: Timer ettex: Concert Chor 3: Ger 1: Glee 2. Vicki 1. Hunt-DECA 3-4. Debble 4 nm Hussmann Goster Club 2-2. Cleck 2: Madrigals 3.4. Nubbera soloni 2-4. Drambics 2-4. Madrigals 3.4. Nubbera soloni 2-4. Drambics 2-4.

Joanne Hutchinson. Kevin John Huzzle-Football 2-4. Deanna J. Ingram-Concert Choir 3.4; Nisbova soloist 2-4; State Contest 3.4; Dramatics 4; Executive Council 2; Girl's Glee 2: Y-teens 3: Nick Itczak. Ray Ivers-Swirming 2.3. William Marty Jacobs-Basketball Manager 2: Bowling Club 3.4.





Seniors

Hanging on the edge of the cliff

When students have spare time, some play sports, some go on trips, some go to parties, and some just sit home and watch television.

But for one senior, Rick Racine, his spare time is spent climbing rocks.

"The reason I like climbing is because of the risk involved. Everytime I get up on that rope and risk the chance of losing my life, it makes it that much more exciting," Rick stated.

He learned how to be a rock climber four years ago at Devil's Lake State Park in Wisconsin. Since then he has also climbed in the Great Smokey Mountains in Tennessee.

"Devil's Lake State Park is the best place to climb in the Midwest, but one of these days I'm going to climb at Yoesmite Park in California.'

"Even though I haven't gone climbing since August I keep up on the fundamentals of the sport by reading different materials."

Rick usually climbs with another senior, Jeff Woodwort'n.

"Rick got me started climbing three years ago and each time I get to the top of the rocks it feels like I conquered a mountain because I'm dead tired." Jeff said.



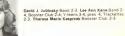






























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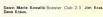


Jerry P. Konopasek, Julie Ann Kovacek-Booster Club 2-3 Carol Lynn Kovecst-Booster Club 2-4, Con-cert Choir 3-4, Executive Council 4, Girl's Glee Club 2, Y-teens 3-4, V. Pres. 4.















Sharon Kay Kregel-Volleyball 2 Sandra Rayette Ku-backl-Booster Club 2-3, Michael K. Kunch.

Joan E. Kuntz-Booster Club 2-4 Joanne Kus. Michael Kuss. Jennifer Ann Kwolek-Basketball 2-4. Volleyball 2-4; All-conf 4, Varsity Club 2-4, Girls Glee 2; Concert Chorr 3. Tama L. Lawrence. Connie Marie Leffel-Band 2,3.

Randy L. Legler. Ronald Milchael Lenz-Football 2-4. All-conf. 4, Varsity Club 3-4. Dilane Marie Leytemswimming 2-4. State qualifier 4, Band 2-4, Domant et 8.2.3; Girls Glee 2, Varsity Club 2-4. Band worknet 1, 1997. State 2, Varsity Club 2-4. Band working 1, 1997. State 2, Varsity Club 2-4. Sept. 3-4. Executive Council 2-4, tress 4, Student Council 3-4, Sec y.3. Reflector 2, Prom queen candidate: Homecoming queen candidate: Swestergeri 3-4. Greg S. Littrell State-Bit.

Richard Edward Lively-Track 2-4, Band 2-4, Dramatics 2-4, Milchael Edward Lozano-Track 2-3, Cross Country-2-Pramatics 2-4, James F, Lucchesl-Basketball 3-4; Track 3; Football mgr. 4, Varsity Club 3-4, Sharon McCarry, Jeffrey Thomas Magiera-Basketball 2, Track 2, Brian N. Mandernach-DECA 4

Andrew G. Mantis-Wrestling 2-4; Varsity Club 3.4. John B. Marciniak. Diane Gall Martin. Edwin Arthur Massa. Cindy L. Massey-Girls Glee 3.4 Mellinda Medsker.

Mellsaa Medsker. Joseph T. Metro-Baseball 2-4, Capt. 4: DECA 3.4: vice pres. 4, Varsity Club 3.4 Frances Marle Mihallch-Girls Glee 2.3 Sue K. Milich-Basketball 2: Bowling Club 4. Alex Mileusnic. Kevin Mooney.

Dave Leon Moore. Stephen Allen Moore-Varsity Club 2-4; Football 2,3; Wrestling 2-4, Cross Country 4: Panther Press 2,3; Microfic cross country 3 Sue M. Moranski-Booster Club 2-4; Pantherettes 3,4, Deborah Lynn Moreth. John Patrick Morgan. Carol Lynn Morris-Booster Club 2; Dramatics 3, Girls Glee

Cheryl Lynn Morton-Booster Club 2.3, Denald R. Mount-Swimming 2-4; Varsity Club 2-4. Rhonda Murdock. John Paul Muslal. Mark Gerard Nagy. Greg L. News-Footbell 2; Band 2-4; Quill and Scroll 4; Bowling Club 4; Reflector 4

Jim H. Nell. James Newbeck. Laura Ann Noecker-DECA 3.4: wce pres. 3. treas. 4. Trackettes. Louis Novath. Scott C. Oman-Football 4; Golf 3: Dramatics 3 Liz Ortz-Booster Club 2-4. Concert Choir 2. Pantherettes 3.4; Student Council 2; Mat maids 2,3.





Robert D. Orzechowicz, Petricie Sue Overmeyer, Jeff Owczarzak. Petricie Ann Paulauski-Basketball 2, Jerry Pavuk. Edward Lee Peyne.

Steve Ray Peglow, Jeffrey Devid Perotti, Neel Alan Petroski, Delores Pierce, Keith Pilch, Susan Marie Pol-Girls Glee 2; Honor Society 3.4, treas 4; Student Council 2; Bowling Club 3.4, Girls State

Rich B. Popovich-Football 2, Den Potosky, Michael Powers-Football 2,4, Varsity Club 4. Debre Patricle Premuk Band 2-4, Booster Club 2-4; Pantherettes 3,4, wee pres. 4, Trackettes 2-4; Timettes 3,4. Sherry Lynn Preste Bowling Club 4, DEC 3,4. Steven D. Pustek-Football 2-4, Baseball 2-4, Varsity Club 3,4



Seniors Jill, Anita working to 'get it going'

Activities, that is what senior Jill Zengler's everyday schedule is made up of, extracurricular activities. Jill is not only in school activities, but also is involved in church activities out of school.

Jill is president of SMT (St. Marys Teen) formerly known as ACT (Active Christian Teens). She was nominated and elected president by popular vote.

A few of the many jobs Jill

is responsible for include planning and running all meetings, setting up all appointments and appointing various jobs for fund raising, scheduling trips or activities.

Jill said, "I'm just trying to get this youth group going. Since we've changed the name people think it's not the same, but actually it is."

Jill is also a teacher of catechism at St. Marys. She and senior Anita Spitz spend Monday nights after school instructing 4th grade religion classes.

"We both work to help the students gain a better understanding of the Catholic religion." Anita stated.

















Gene Reber, Rick Racine, Clindy Refelski, Patricki Carole Raschke-Track 2,3: Booster Club 2-4, Stu dent Council 2: Y-teens 2: Panther Press 2.3. The Reder, Janice Merie Reder-Student Council 3: Y Teens 3,4: Executive Council 3: Booster Club 2-4



Mike Rogowski-Football 2-4 Mark Joseph Ross Deca 3-4, Bowling Club 3-4 Christina Maria Ru coba-Band 2-4, Pantherettes 3-4, Pantherette workshop 4



Malody Ann Ryan-Volleyball 2; Booster Club ca 3-4, vice pres 3, pres 4, Track 2; Stude



John S. Sainato-Tennis 2-4, Varsity Club 3,4 Andraa Lynn Schallar-Concert Choir 3, Girl's Glee 2, Y-teens 3-4, Tim Schallar,



John Schultz, Kent Selander-Track 2-4; Cross Country 2-4, All Conference, Varsity Club 2-4 Susan Eliz-



Margla Jaan Sexton-Deca 3-4, Booster Club 2; Con-cert Choir 3; Girl's Glee Club 2; Y-teens 2-3 Dlana Lynn Sharp. Marc Alan Sharp-Football 4, Wrestling 2-4, Baseball 2, Varsity Club 2-4; Homecoming King.



Patrick Alan Simac-Golf 2-4; Bowling Club 2-4. Eugane L. Slurek, Gane Staney.



Cindy Smith. Julia Sobkowicz. Tom James Somars Basketball 2; Football 2-4, All Conference 4, Track 2 Varsity Club 3-4.



Anita Doreen Spitz-Tennis 2-4, Booster Club 2-4, Basketball 2-3, Dramatics 4; Executive Council 2-4, sect. 4; Honor Society 2-4, Varsity Club 2-4, Student Council 2-4, pres. 3-4; Girl's State Delegate 2, Julia Ann Spoenar-Booster Club 2; Student Council 2; Trackettes, Vince Larwence Stanfal-Basketball 2



Seniors Women's lib opens new door in scouting

In the past decade the women's movement has given women many new opportunities.

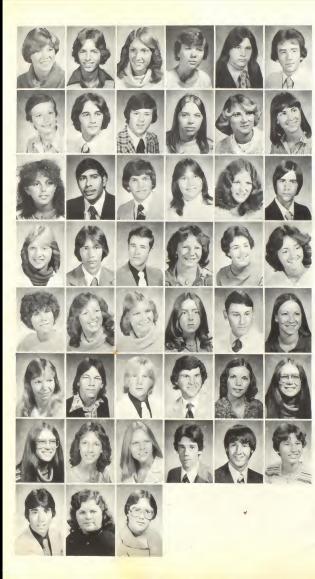
Senior Diane Leytem, Senior Girl Scout and Explorer, has the benefits of being both a Girl Scout and a Boy Scout.

"In 1976 our girl scout troop performed a bicentennial show in Mexico. We met a group of boy scouts and they asked us if we wanted to form an Explorers group, so we started it." Dianne stated.

Explorers is the division of Boy Scouts that is coed. It is for the youth. Most any kind of project desired can be pursued. The Group is split into different units such as medical units, sea explorers, police units and general units.

"I belong to two units, the Sea-Explorers which is based in Griffith and Post 1, a coed dynamic production unit in Chicago Heights. We are part of three major activities. A September fest, a winter carnival in January and an Olympics in the summer."

"I've traveled quite a bit. We go to Washington D.C. for the national elections. The Olympics are in Colorado and we go camping quite a bit in Michigan. I've met people from all over the world."



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Juniors The 'middle kids' make best of it

The middle kid: the one who is too young to stay up late, yet is too old to believe in Santa Claus. The middle kid: the one who is supposed to set a good example for little brother, yet is still told to mind his big sister. The juniors: to young to catch graduation fever, yet to old to use the excuse, "It's only our first year." The juniors: the ones who are seldom recognized even when their accomplishments sometimes out-do that of little brother or big sister. The Class of 1980 was not to

be catagorized as the "middle kid." Starting in the summer with a car wash and bake sale, they worked for float expenses.

Class officers September Suris, Rich Troksa, Debbie Sexton and Vicki Krupinski managed magazine sales to finance Prom.

With a winning Homecoming float starting the year and a well-managed Prom at the end of year, the juniors made it known to sophomores and seniors alike. that they were not your everyday, run-of-the-mill "middle kid."

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Juniors

Carrying your life on your back

"It started in sixth grade I really don't remember why, I just liked the mountains. It's getting out on your own, being self-reliant."

It is backpacking.

"I've hiked in the Southern Appalaichians, the Colorado Rockies and also in the Grand Canyon," said junior Bernard Depa

In the Grand Canyon he made reservations three months in advance. He hiked in 115° weather for 16 miles in one day.

The backpack he carried weights about 40 pounds. The pack contained a sleeping bag, food, freezed dried or canned, bic-degradable soap, clothes, a camera and a book, and sometimes a tent.

"Everything you need is on your back. It's your life support

system," Bernie said.

"I like to just hike in solitude. The wilderness gives you time to relax, solve your problems and find yourself." Garcia, Chris Gerber, Jerry Gebert, Dawn Gifford, Jamie Glassfor, Dave Gonzales, Tim Good, Brenda Govert, Gloria

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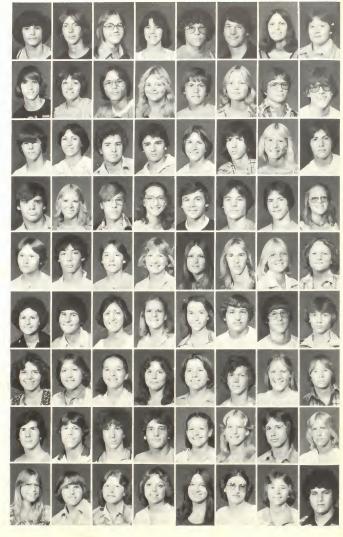
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Juniors

WJOB teaches Bartlett basics of broadcasting

Passing Big Wheel, traveling north on Indianapolis Blvd., he continues on to Woodmar Shopping Center. Hanging a right he approaches a large tower, the radio tower for WJOB 1230 AM.

Junior Jay Bartlett spends a lot of his free time at WJOB. He can not run the transmitter, (the machine sending radio waves) so he does other tasks.

"I make tapes, sometimes for news stories, and I do interviews. Usually the interviews are on cultural events," Jay stated.

Jay has interviewed Officer Robert Segally on in-school suspension. He also has interviewed a Boy Scout leader and has taped a story on a Cultural Fair. He then edits the tapes and they are broadcasted.

Jay knew a deejay at WJOB and started working there his sophomore year. He does not get paid for his assistance, so he works there for the experience.

"Broadcasting is a lot of fun, but it requires a lot of time and effort," Jay said. "I have considered broadcasting as a career, but will probably end up in electronics."



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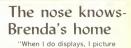




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Juniors



in my mind what I want, then

start to do it." Brenda said.

"The displays vary but they

Perez, Paulette Petronella, Anna

Ponikvar, Vernon Potchen, David



Working at a gas station a person may come home smelling like gasoline. Working at McDonalds a person may come home smelling like grease or onions. Junior Bernda Haley works at Brumm's Bloomin Barn; she

comes home smeling like roses. Brenda works at the florist arranging flowers and displays, taking orders and helping customers coordinate colors for their home arrangements.



usually have an old-fashioned sense to them." "It's a nice atmosphere, a feeling of country." Brenda said. she will go to florist

Brenda doesn't know whether school, but she did say that it's fun working at Brumm's, even if she does smell like roses.

Pustek, Carol Rafalski, Wayne





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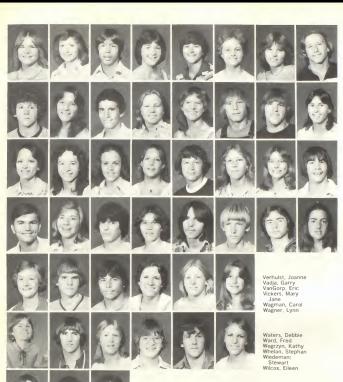












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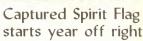
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Sophs



Anzur, Tony Arndt, Linda



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Baldner, Kenneth Ballard, Ward



Entering the wrong classroom and forgetting locker combinations are two of the burdens a typical sophomore faces upon arriving in the high school. Equally as burdensome is adjusting to longer classes. later lunches and being the "greenies" of the school.

It is a pretty big jump to make from the junior high, but after the first few weeks of school, the sophomores begin to feel right at home.

The first activity that the class was involved in was the Homecoming festivities. The sophomores proved their ability to work together by capturing first in the Spirit Flag.

The class was in debt over \$200 following the float building and previously were without sponsors. But, the sophomores continued on working in the concession stands to help launch a successful turnabout.

Abruptly becoming the underclassmen, after dominating the junior high can be a big adjustment. But, just as employees are promoted to higher positions, so will the sophomores.

Sophomore Executive Council-Back row: Lori Miller, Mary Nowak, Linda Dellahan, Kris Ga-lik, Carol Genis, Jodie Racine, Sally Campbell, Jesse Rocha, Second row: Melanie Owczar-zak, Jeanette Geisen, Ron Rodriquez, Holly Finnie, Janice Hattenbach, Kay Nelson, Lisa Atkinson, Front row: Anthony Joesph, pres; Kim Varner, vice pres; Kristy Conaway, sec'y; Melanie Gehrke, treas.

Balluch, Kevin Baranik, Chris



Blakslee, Matthew Blanchard, John Bloomer, Larry Bloomer, Lorrie Blount, Kay Bock, Diana Bogucki, Cheryl Bolhorst, Debbie

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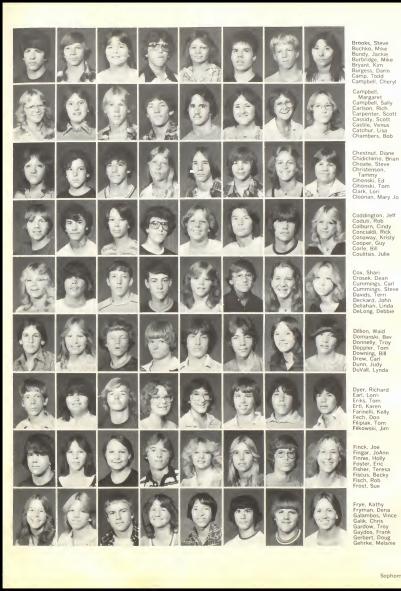












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McCarroll, Richard McCauley, Sue



Sophs

Creepy crawler it is not plastic

Pets. Most people would think of a cat or dog, or possibly a fish. But, sophomore Ellen Haas would most likely think of a tarantula.

Ellen owns a Mexican wolfe tarantula named Tanya. The tarantula was bought as a joke by Ellen's parents and cost \$20.

"Tanya has grown about three times the size since I got her. When her legs are spread out, the diameter is about the size of my hand," Ellen stated.

One-year-old Tanya digs burrows, spins webs on the glass of her terrarium and can jump as high as two feet. "In the summer I catch the grasshoppers and crickets that Tanya eats, but in the winter I buy them from a bait shop. She

also likes mice, but all

of her food must be alive or she will not eat it."

Tarantula bites are not poisonous if the victim is healthy, but if the victim is ill, the bite may cause a fever which could last a few days.

"No one has ever been bitten by Tanya, but she does make a hissing sound when she gets mad."

"Tanya is not the type of pet that will curl up in my lap, while I watch television, but she is interesting," Ellen concluded.



Novath, Kenny Nowak, Mary Owczarzak, Melanie Owensby. Elizabeth

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Todd. Norene Toth, Cathy

Sophs

Ted, Tom, and Tim Itczak are sophomores. They are friendly, everyday, not too talkative students. They are also triplets.

"People always ask me questions like, "How does it feel being a triplet?" Tim said, "To me it's natural, I've lived my whole life this way." Actually the three do not

look alike. Ted has red hair while Tom and Tim have brown.

"Because we grew up together and are used to each

Ted. Tom. Tim total triple trouble causers

other, I don't think we act any different than other brothers, Tom said. "I've seen friends and their brothers and I think we act the same."

In second grade Tim and Tom pulled off their first and only "joke". Capitalizing on their common looks the two spent a day in each other's class.

When asked if people take double-takes, Tim replied, "Sometimes they do but I'm used to them by now.







Turner, Mark Urevig, Ron



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Wilson, Charlotte

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Merchants support yearbook, receive thanks

From Griffith to Whiting to Highland to Merrillville, businesses support the community. But, they also support the Griffith Reflector. Forty-five percent of its expenses are financed by the merchants in the community. The Reflector staff would like to take this opportunity to extend a big "thanks" to those people who helped to suport our yearbook.

Boosters contribute funds to Griffith sports

The team had a winning season this year. The players got the glory and the coach got the praise and then thoughts turned towards next year. Which players will be graduating? Who will be back? Who is planning to coach next year? Fans ask themselves these questions in the hopes of predicting a good season next year, but very often the fans overlook a main element in Griffith sports: the Griffith Adult Booster Club. This club did not receive a lot of the glory but it should have; after all, where would athletics be. without its help?

During 1978-79, the Adult Booster Club held a membership drive and a beef raffle to help the sports program. In the past it has also sponsored the Donkey Basketball games. After the money was raised from these projects, it was donated to the athletic department.

From the athletic department, the money was distributed to various teams to help pay for chartered buses, new uniforms, and the athletic banquets at the end of every season.

The club met only four times this year, but the money raised helped tremendously. Consisting of parents and fans, the Booster Club was under the direction of President Jack Blount. Other club officers were: 1st

Vice President, Phyllis Giffin 2nd Vice President, Leland Bollhorst, Secretary Barb Conaway and Treasurer Dan Frost.

The next time you are in the crowd, and you stand up to cheer for the team, be sure to think of the Griffith Adult Booster Club, because more likely than not, they too had a hand in helping to form a winning team.

Club officers are: Pres. Jack Blount, Sec. Barb Conaway, Publicity Dick Guess, 1st Vice Pres. Phyllis Giffen, and 2nd Vice Pres. Leland Bollhorst.



New uniforms made the team feel a little more confident and look a little sharper. With those factors and some good pointers, the team was a winner.







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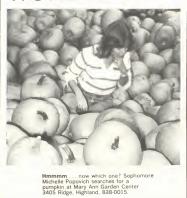


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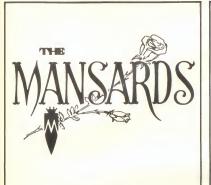
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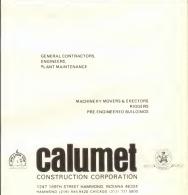
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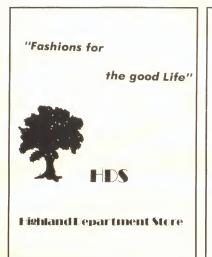
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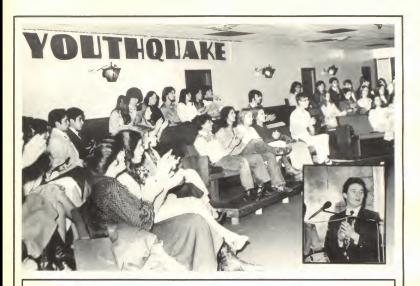






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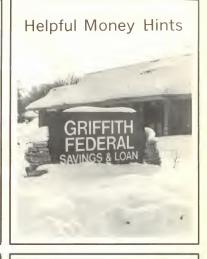


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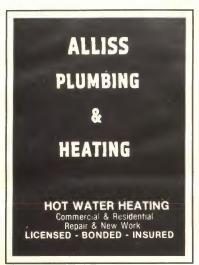


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